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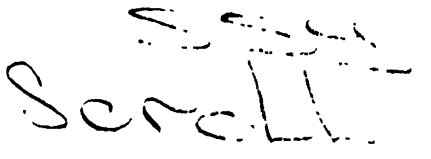
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FRATERNITIES AT UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA.

THE SCROLL

VOL. XV. OCTOBER, 1890. No. 1.

DEDICATORY POEM.

I.

The sun, they say, ne'er sets on English land
In all his course, and 'tis an endless day
That sweeps the circuit with its golden hand
Over that empire, mighty in its sway.
Yet, though the sun each eve may sink to rest
On thee, our College, day by day, again
Gilding thy turrets looking toward the west,
Grander than England's empire seem'st thou, when
Each flake of stone, each crevice that we see,
Breathes its own tale to us, whispers its memory.
And though we feel our gratitude to thee
Should be for learning's treasures thou did'st shower
On us with reckless prodigality,
Still would we put aside this precious dower;
Still dearer must those recollections be,
Twined, like the ivies rooted 'neath thy tower,
Around our hearts and guarded jealously.

II.

But now, before these well-loved scenes are past,
And only silent memories remain,
Let one fond act, although it be the last,
Forge one more fetter in the well-wrought chain
That binds us to thee, cherishing mother. Here,
Upon the threshold of our parting, we
Grave in this book the story of each year
We passed within thy walls, and unto thee
We dedicate this "Record;" may it be
Worthy the reputation of thy name,
Giving its mite t' increase thy glorious fame.

—*From the Pennsylvania Record.*

COLLEGE ANNUALS.

ONE would be justified in offering a reward for that College Annual which is presented to the public without the printed boast of its editors that therein they expose to view a book whose merit far exceeds that of its predecessor. There would be little probability of the reward being claimed. The first page of an annual open to the editor is devoted to the usual raking of the production of the class ahead. The more excellent this subject of criticism may have been, so does the editor wax more verbose. Drawing our own conclusions from these remarks to which we have referred, we would withdraw our complimentary remarks concerning the annuals of last year, and state instead that they were but a mere conglomeration of mental and artistic trash, and that each and everyone retires abashed in the dazzling brilliancy given forth by its respective successor as evolved in the course of the college year 1889–90.

So much on the authority of the reviewed. The reviewer can express another opinion if he chooses.

We have to acknowledge the courtesy of the following annuals, received for review: *Ouiatenon*, Wabash; *Badger*, Wisconsin: *Bijou*, Ohio Wesleyan; *Palladium*, Michigan; *Mirage*, De Pauw; *Gale*, Knox; *Pandora*, Georgia; *Cornellian*, Cornell; *Index*, Wooster; *Melange*, Lafayette; *Blue and Gold*, California; *Pandora*, Washington and Jefferson; *Comet*, Vanderbilt; *Lombard*, Lombard; *Kaldron*, Allegheny; *Ariel*, Vermont; *Microcosm*, Dickinson; *Makio*, Ohio State; *Record*, Pennsylvania (University); *Garnet*, Union; *Oracle*, Colby; *Aegis*, Dartmouth; *Hellenian*, North Carolina; *Gul*, Williams; and *Olio*, Amherst. Truly a goodly array, and one representing nearly all sections. Two years ago we received one annual from a southern college—the *Comet*, from Vanderbilt. A year ago this was doubled by the addition of Mercer's *Mercerian*. This year we present three, the *Mercerian* failing us, but being replaced by those from the universities of Georgia and North Carolina. With such a collection as we have, there is a good opportunity to see how wit, humor, artistic ability *et al.* vary with latitude and longitude. Last year we referred to the superiority of those annuals whose editors were elected before or at the beginning of the college year for which they are issued. An examination of those for this year illustrates the same point Whether published under the auspices of the Junior class as a class, or under the direction of the fraternities of the college makes little or no difference. The excellence depends upon the perfection of organization of the board from year to year, and the actual amount of time put in gathering and arranging the materials.

Where there are constitution and by-laws which give a stated time for the election of the board, method of electing officers, interval of meetings &c., the annual is more of a success. In some places there will be lack of finances forbidding the addition of expensive illustrations, but without these the book can be made attractive and bright if the editors give their best efforts to that end. On the whole the annual seems to have more of a hold on eastern than western colleges. Not because more money is spent there in getting it up, as the western annuals contain as expensive features as those from the east. But from the reason mentioned above,—its publication is made a matter of system; the editors are elected a year ahead, and don't put off the preparation of material until one or two months before it is to be issued; faculty and alumni contributions are solicited and secured; and all literary selections are carefully revised and pruned before final insertion. There are, of course, exceptions, but they prove the rule.

The illustrations run much in the same line as heretofore, photogravures, electro tints, or half-tone engravings being found in almost every one. Several new designs have been added to the list of fraternity steel plates, the principal among these being the new $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ plate by Lockwood, and the $\Delta \Upsilon$ monogram by Dreka. The *Oracle* and *Mirage* instead of having chapter lists headed by the usual steel plates have inserted chapter groups along with the respective lists—a very neat idea, and one likely to be more generally used in the next year or two. The poor looking chapters may object, but the Apollos are bound to carry the day.

The *Olio* reproduces the title page of VOL. I, No. 1, of that publication. It is newspaper style, dated October, '55, and shows the Corporation and Faculty lists; the officers of Φ *B K*, $\Lambda \Delta \Phi$, $\Psi \Upsilon$ and Δ *K E* come under the head of Junior Societies and their lists include only Seniors and Juniors. There is one Sophomore Society, $\Lambda \Sigma \Phi$, and two Freshman, Δ *K* and $\Sigma \Delta$. The college enrolls 344 students, of whom 103 are freshmen, against 358, with 93 freshmen for the preceding year. The fraternity frontispiece is fine—a piece of grave-yard spiking. The Glee Club and Base Ball team are shown and a fine portrait of a faculty member is the frontispiece. Another engraving gives a winter scene on the campus. In the base ball season the Amherst team won five and lost four out of nine games played. Mechanically and artistically the *Olio* is finely gotten up. A number of original drawings have been executed in half tone plates, making rich illustrations.

The *Gul* comes from the same printer's hands as for the year before, and is much the same in general make-up. Bound in white paper board with gold lettering it is printed on extra heavy

calendered paper, and withal is such a triumph of printer's art as to make rival publishers envious. The designs for illustrations have been executed by the N. Y. Engraving Co. and are commendable in all respects. Of the several pages devoted to prize statistics it might almost be said that they were devoted to Φ Δ Θ interests, as Massachusetts Alpha makes a showing unrivalled and unapproached by other Chapters. Two pages are given to small plates, ten in all, from camera snap shots about the campus and on Field Day. The *Gul* always has some fine verses, and this year's is no exception, but the chief hit of the book, outside of a "Lectchah" is made in

"BLOODY GORE

A MUSICAL EXTRA VAGANZA

in

THREE AGONIES

and a

CLIMAX."

The lines are adapted to various airs, as—"McSorley's Twins," "When I was a Lad," "Marching Thro' Georgia," "Rockaby Baby," "Erminie," "Lullaby," and "Listen to My Tale of Woe."

These lines are from AGONY I.

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"When I was a Freshman I came here to school;
I was pure as a lovely white rose,
Sure nobody here could take me for a fool,
With me cane and me new suit of clothes.
I went up and called on the Y. M. C. A.,
I did up North Adams quite brown,
But the thing that took me was the big Faculty;
I was awed from me toes to me crown.

One night the first term I went out for a walk,
And I passed by the White House at nine.
I stole to a window and turned white as chalk,
As I listened to councils divine.
Soc and our Peri were fighting like mad!
'Twas Sarcasm warring 'gainst Love.
And Peri prevailed. O you bet I was glad,
May he run a big college above.

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This is from AGONY II.

"*Library at White House. Faculty assembled for deliberation.*

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Mons. Cos ascends the throne and sings in bare of tone voice,
Freshmen are sleeping so cosy and fine.
The Seniors are saying their evening prayer,
The Juniors are grubbing, the Sophs on a spree;
Look out my dear friends, for I've business with thee.

Rockaby Freshman, Rockaby Fop,
Rockaby all, lookout for a drop,
For I am I, Since Sum Ego,
When I nod my head it has to be so.
So Rockaby, Very High, you needn't fear,
And Rockaby, little spy, you we hold dear,
Go over to Adams and spot all you can,
And then come and tell! You brave little man."

The whole of the farce needs only to be read to be appreciated.

In looking over the *Melange* you find it an interesting book, from the faces of Ben. Franklin and Geo. Washington which have beamed from its pages from time immemorial to the newest fad in "Cremation of Calculus." At the same time it is hard to pick out the selections and say "herein lies the germ." The frontispiece shows the late Prof. J. G. Fox. Other plates show foot ball and base ball teams, and a third "Representative Athletes of Lafayette College."

This is fair

"——! ——! ——! Tiger, Lafayette."

"In olden time one might espy
A sculptor skilled, his chisel ply;
To shape his fancy he does try,
(As all the little chips forth fly)
A marble bust.

But times have changed and now—oh, fie—
Were one to look he might descry,
As college youths to the table hie
Where still the merry chips forth fly,
A——nother bust.

It is true that after a resting spell of three seasons one should expect a good volume and in this respect the '90 *Lombard* meets expectations. It is one of the most excellent annuals of the year (as it should be with six Phis in charge of it), and contains most valuable features. There are electro tints of the college building, President White of the University, the late Dr. Ryder, of Chicago, who left $50,000 to the Theological Department, members of the Faculty, four of the more prominent alumni of Lombard (among these Bro. E. H. Conger,) and lastly a tableaux group of the young ladies taking part in the annual Townsend (Declamatory) Contest. "The Lombard Family" is a complete

list of the students of the College from its foundation to the present time, with biographical notes and addresses. The "History" of Δ Θ (local) says,

"Delta Theta retained its connection with Delta Tau Delta until the fall of 1885. It did not have its charter taken away, but became dissatisfied for several reasons and withdrew. It did not desire to have the number of its members limited, and the fraternity wished to limit them. It became indignant also at the action of the Executive Council with reference to another chapter."

To which we would add "So, there now, we didn't get whipped, because we ran."

There is much that is good about the *Palladium* so that we ponder long as to what we must say in order to do it justice in small space. We cannot reproduce its excellencies, but the reader can take our word that it is good. How otherwise could it be?—over 2200 students, with their multifarious organizations and ambitions—surely there is reason for a good annual. A steel portrait of President Angell, and half-tone plates of Professors Stanley and Kelsey, each accompanied by exhaustive biographies form the usual matter allotted to the Faculty. Φ Β Κ is given place in a historical sketch, "Threshing old Straws" gives answers to the question "What do you think of Fraternities," received from J. H. Choate, Phillips Brooks, Calvin S. Brice, Chas. Dudley Warner, J. Warren Keifer, Will Cumback, Henry Cabot Lodge and others. All characterize them as institutions with influence for good rather than otherwise. Tappan Oak is a famous institution at Ann Arbor, and under its spreading branches each Senior Class holds its closing exercises. The prize song of the *Palladium* this year is "Under the Tappan Oak," and is worthy of the distinction. The University still holds the lead in number of fraternities, there being sixteen general, five professional and four ladies fraternities organized in the University, Θ Δ Χ being the last comer.

The *Bijou* of Ohio Wesleyan, after five years hibernation appears once more, and without doubt contains better features than any of its predecessors. There are cheap cuts of the new Monnett (Ladies') Hall, and the proposed Chapel, work on which is now progressing. There is a series of half tone plates, beginning with the "Faculty."

The next shows the "Presidents of the O. W. U.,—E. Thomson '45–'60, Frederick Merrick '60–'73, C. H. Payne '76–'88, J. W. Bashford, since '89, and L. D. McCabe '73–76 and '88–'89, and the plate is followed by biographical sketches. Other plates show editors of the *Bijou*, *Transcript*, *Practical Student*, University nine, Senior nine, and Foot-ball eleven. Literary Societies flourish as the history of nine of these testify. There are a num-

ber of roughly executed, but bright, cartoon cuts. There are no literary features aside from class and literary society histories.

Any one of a half dozen features about the *Cornellian* make it interesting. It is a pleasure to see each year the new cuts which preface the various class and social organizations of the



[FROM THE "KALDRON."]

University. These are always bright, finely executed, and without exception eminently appropriate. The plate illustrations are as usual abundant. A fine photo-print and accurate sketch of Benj. I. Wheeler, Prof. of Greek. Another showing the Profs.

of the Mechanical and Engineering Faculty. Third of B. G. Smith, Associate Prof. of Rhetoric and Oratory; lastly Edwin L. Nichols, Prof. of Physics, who stands near the head as a teacher in Physical Science in this country. Other plates are devoted to athletic and musical organizations.

Among the miscellaneous prose and poetry selections, this from the *Cornellian's* "YALE SONG" is worth reading:

"Oh, we're the very pattern of an English University,
We've the *bon-ton* ladies, and the blue-blood aristocracy;
We're very old, conservative, and have our own mythology,
We love to meditate upon the length of our chronology.
For, sir, there's nothing equal to a long and noble pedigree,
And, 'don't you know,' we started with the dawn of the last century,
In fact, in genealogy, in blood and aristocracy,
We are the very pattern of an English University."

If Cornell builds her library according to the plans as shown in the plate from photograph, given in the *Cornellian*, it will surpass anything of the kind in America.

We spoke of the department cuts and their unique designs, and so here mention a few: "FRATERNITIES" shows a swinging censer before the barred door of a stone archway, mystic vapors half obscuring the entrance.

"IN MEMORIAM" figures Alma Mater as a young woman, standing with downcast head, half enveloped by the pall which she holds in her outstretched hands. Those for the "Bench and Board," "Undine," and "Fruija" clubs are equally good, but too full of details to explain.

The *Aegis* always shows its loyalty to Dartmouth in green ink, and is gotten up in a style that ought to be highly pleasing to Dartmouth students. Volume XXXIII has for a frontispiece a photogravure of Hon. Hiram Hitchcock of Hanover, N. H. to whom the college is indebted for the recent repairs which have made the old church a handsome and attractive building, and for the Hitchcock Memorial Hospital now being erected. Prof. E. R. Ruggles of the Scientific Department is likewise presented and from the accompanying biographical sketch we learn that he has done much toward making his department of work in Dartmouth so widely known. In the list of fraternities *B Θ Π* appears in the Scientific Department replacing *Σ Δ Π*. The "Historical Sketch" of the college (faced by photogravures of the college buildings) tells how Eleazor Wheelock, Yale '33, founded "Moor's Indian Charity School," Lebanon, Conn., which became famous in New England. Needing funds, agents were sent to England for aid, and through the influence of the Earl of Dartmouth ten thousand pounds were collected, the King



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donating two hundred pounds. It was then determined to make a college of the school, but being in close proximity to Yale, it was determined to move it. It received its charter in 1769, and in 1770 was removed to Hanover, and out of respect to the Earl of Dartmouth, president of the Trustees it was named after him. The *Aegis* does not forget to give space to the Foot ball team which won the New England pennant, and to the delegates to Worcester who brought the college first place in the New England Field Day events.

The *Comet* that appeared in the Vanderbilt heavens for the year 1889–90 bears familiar marks that distinguish it as the genuine Vanderbilt article so that it would be recognizable without an astronomical label. The periodicity of the *Comet* is all right, but that ought to admit of a little more variability in the article itself. Its style is much the same as for last year. It opens with a cut and sketch of W. L. Dudley, professor of chemistry, an excellent teacher and one at the same time showing great interest in student and athletic affairs, he being president of both the Athletic and Tennis associations. He is a graduate of University of Cincinnati, and a member of *Σ X*. There are the usual class, fraternity, society, and athletic lists. One of the best things in the book is "THE CRYING EVIL OF OUR UNIVERSITY," being a satire on Faculty jurisdiction over students. It closes:

"Considering how foreign professors are to this planet, and seeing what bad examples they set the students, it is evident that it is a great mistake to suffer them to remain in our institution. If it is absolutely necessary to have instruction in our University, by all means give us human beings."

The roughest thing is "YE SEWANEE" being a biblical parody. There are a number of cartoon cuts, with good hits, and fairly executed.

The *Kaldron*, a heavy book in blue board cover, contains many excellent features in its 170 pages. The book is of excellent tone throughout, the contributions showing literary excellence and carrying dignity. It is fortunate in having the artistic contributions of Mr. McNair, *ΦΓΔ*, who has helped to make preceding *Kaldron's* successes, and Mr. Eagleson, *ΔΤΔ*. Their work is a chief feature. There are photogravure plates of the editorial board and the Faculty. A half tone showing the chapter houses at Allegheny, and the interior of the Phi parlors. A steel portrait of Alex. Bradley of the Board of Trustees is accompanied by a sketch. The hit of the book is in a series of panel pictorial illustrations of Allegheny chapters. *ΦΚΨ*—Illustrations show a piano and bass-viol both in active use; "*Fraternity organ*—The Bazoo, Sedalia, Mo. Any one desiring mem-

bership must be able to discourse readily on the Chinese fiddle, and read Hebrew music at sight. None others need apply."

ΦΓΔ—Cut shows rope, wires, chains, hooks and three sailors hauling on a cable labeled "Faculty." "*Fraternity organ*—'Police Gazette'—any one desiring membership had better bury their consciences; must be able to handle ropes of every description, manipulate wires smooth and barbed *sans* gloves and not show any scars. None others need apply.

ΔΤΔ—Panels show two "swells." "*Fraternity organ*—'Demorest's Magazine'—new students who contemplate entering said fraternity, must present a regularly certified-to pedigree, be able to engage in the 'mazy' and wear a dress suit. None others need apply."



[FROM THE "KALDRON."]

ΦΔΘ—The minister pounding away in the pulpit. "*Fraternity organ*—'Pittsburgh Christian Advocate'—new men expecting a bid from the above Order should bring with them letters of recommendation from the home pastor, honorable discharge from the Sunday school superintendent, and several pairs of trousers well padded at the knee. None others need apply."

ΣΑΕ—Artist pictures the 'hayseed' swinging his scythe. "*Fraternity organ*—'The San Francisco Rural Press'—students handing in names must belong to the Battalion and arrange to have butter and eggs brought into the chapter house weekly. Superior inducements offered to any one getting up a club."

KAΘ—"All young girls joining this Fraternity will be carefully looked after by the *older* girls, will receive aid in learning their Sunday school lessons, and will "stand in" with the preceptress."

KKΓ—"All candidates for membership must take music and elocution, write poetry, own a dark lantern, and contribute an article of furniture to the new "Frat" rooms."

The Wisconsin badger may not be a beauty among animals, but its name-sake, the University of Wisconsin *Badger* is a beauty among annuals. It is a handsome volume of 186 pages, 8x11, bound on the short margin, and abounding in pleasing features throughout.

Facing the title page which portrays a stray badger basking in the sunlight is a magnificent photogravure view from the campus entrance out over the city of Madison. Following a few pages after this is another showing the observatory, a park, and to the right and beyond, the placid gem surrounded lake. Produced by the same processes are portraits of John C. Freeman, LL. D., Prof. of English Literature; Edw. A. Birge, Ph. D., Prof. of Zoölogy; Lucius Heritage, late instructor in Latin, who died May 14, 1889, at Redlands, Cal. Of him a sketch says

"It seldom happens that the *nil nisi verum* of the biographer becomes more nearly one with the *nil nisi bonum* of the eulogist than in the case of Mr. Heritage. Of an exceptionally keen and accurate mind, he was no less distinguished for the integrity of his character."

There are photogravure groups of the foot ball team and the *Badger* board. Class, literary and miscellaneous organizations are given precedence over fraternity chapters, which are listed in alphabetical order. The lighter illustrations of the books are well executed and carry out some good hits and points. The "Pepper" at the Delta Gamma reception is well portrayed. The '93 cut is a very pretty zinc etched pen sketch. A long list of advertisers has made the book a possible and able enterprise for Wisconsin men.

Of the same size, bound in the same manner as the *Badger* is the California *Blue and Gold*, differing in that the *Badger's* light olive cover is changed to light and dark blue in the California book. It makes the review seem a little trite to have two such excellent annuals mentioned together. All the points mentioned in regard to the first can be repeated for the second. The *Blue and Gold* goes far ahead of all others in its cartoon and light illustrations. Others have some a little more finely executed, but weighing both design and execution the *Blue and Gold* is far ahead. The department and class cuts are all fine. Of the expensive illustrations there are photographs of the "Class of '91," Summit of Mt. Hamilton, form of groups of "Heads of Depart-

ments," each showing five professors, making twenty faculty members portrayed in nearly cabinet size, "University buildings from the rear looking towards San Francisco," and half tone plates of the Glee Club, "A Bridge in the University Grounds" and "Junior Day Farce" cast. "A Recently Discovered Chapter from Josephus" is a good satire on the organization of Omega Psi, whose object was to secure a Psi U. charter. It was headed by a cut of a woman in a flowing garb, holding in one hand a sword, and in the other a shield, fashioned after the badge of $\Psi\ \Upsilon$. Here are some selections from the "Junior Day Farce," written by B. L. Hall, of California Alpha:

"BALCONY SCENE.

Juliet—(alone)—It's so nice to be a 'co-ed'; the 'eds' treat us so well. Othello the Junior is so charming. I hope he asks me to go to the next Glee. Nothing is nicer than to have him bother me an hour in the Library.

(*Enter Romeo.*)

Romeo—Juliet, will you go to the Glee with me?

Juliet—Yes. (Aside.) Poor co-eds! They must take the first fellow that comes along.

Romeo—Ta, ta; a thousand times farewell.

Juliet—Stay, Stay! Parting is such sweet sorrow. That I shall say good-night till it be Morrow."

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"HAMLET'S SOLILOQUY.

Hamlet at College: Has the world grown mad,
To send their madmen where knowledge is had?
My ghost has told me there are madmen here,
Who to ye co-ed lend a festive ear.
I swore a solemn, solemn vow,
Man must not monkey with the buzz-saw now.

(Enter Ophelia, singing, 'Love comes like a Summer Sigh.')

Oh! the fair Ophelia! She a co-ed now?
Oh! that this too, too solid flesh would melt.
Every Adam has his Eve;
Every knight his Genevieve.
All the snow was made to melt:
Not to have its keen edge felt,
So my vow I now forget;
For my heart ain't Stoney yet."

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This is illustrated by some laughable cartoons. A good feature added to the book is a list of U. of C. alumni, and another of deceased alumni.



REPRESENTATIVE ATHLETES, LAFAYETTE COLLEGE.

The Vermont *Ariel* is open for inspection—heavy paper, good illustrations, good printing and best of all good brain work are displayed in its pages. We review it by clipping "A Tragedy in Three Acts."

ACT I.

The gray of early morning;
Into daylight slowly turning,
Breathes its mist upon the air.
A Freshman, lightly sleeping,
In dreams, is vigil keeping
With a maiden passing fair;
But she with angry glances
Has rejected his advances,
And plunged him in dispair.

Rest, Freshie, rest!
In your downy nest,
Why will you thus be sighing?
Rest, Freshie, rest!
You are surely possessed
To even dream of dying.

ACT II.

'A serious case' the doctor said,
As nodding gravely with his head,
He felt the patient's pulse.
'In these disorders of the brain
The highest skill oft finds it vain
To predicate results.'
The words were hardly uttered,
When 'twas seen that Freshie muttered
The name of her whose charms had put
His heart in such a plight.
It was no dumpy dough-head:
No wooly-pated tow-head;
It was a Senior Co-ed
Who mashed the Freshman quite.

ACT III.

Dig the grave both wide and deep;
O'er the fated Freshman weep;
Lift the coffin with tender care;
Carry him down the stairway steep;
A martyr gone to his final sleep.
His bier to the graveyard bear.
Let the earth his body keep;
Into heaven his soul may creep
If St. Peter wants it there.

Be careful!
Have that lid both tight and stout,
So he never may leak out,
Or in Spring he'll surely sprout
And buzz another Co-ed."

The *Pandora* (University of Georgia) is diminutive compared with the *Badger* and *Blue and Gold*, in size being one of the smallest of annuals. It is bound in a heavy gray board and opens with a half tone plate of the editors. Space, later on, to the extent of ten pages is devoted to editorial biographies, but these, written after the manner of class histories, leave us in much doubt as to the exact train of events in said editors' lives. The law and college classes are appropriately remembered in histories and cartoons.

The Phi tennis club cut is one of the prettiest society cuts of the book. The department of miscellany is made up entirely of "take offs" on one thing and another about the college and town, some with considerable attention paid to literary effect. One cartoon shows the Maid of Athens giving back the annual heart of the departing student, and another says "lemonade" is "what we drink at the University," while "Gibson's old Cabinet" is "what they drink at Mercer and Emory."

The outside of the *Makio* is an echo of former days, it being bound in a light paper cover, with a nice imitation parchment sheet folded over this. It is put out by the SCROLL publishers



Id vas now almots imboosible to raise enfants mit der pottle pecause of de pacteeria. — Dr. DETMERS

[FROM THE "MAKIO."]

and is a good piece of work so far as the printer's part goes. The chief failing of the *Makio* is in the process used in making their cartoon and miscellaneous cuts. These show good designs and abound on almost every page. But through haste or cheap

process the cuts have failed to show up in proper manner when printed. There are some three and a half pages of good "editorials" on matters pertaining to the welfare of the University and student organizations. There are biographical sketches of two new Trustees, and of one—C. C. Miller, an '83 O. S. U. graduate—a half tone engraving. There is a heliotype of the Senior class. Half tone plates of the Foot-ball team and Battalion officers are given, but are failures, being made from imperfect photographs. There is a good likeness of the late Prof. A. H. Welsh, who died last year. In the department of miscellany, among other good things are two poems that are worthy of special praise—"Pensive" and "Fossils." Both are meritorious.

The *Garnet* finds its homologue this year in its ink as it is printed throughout in a garnet ink, even to the title on its snowy cover. It is the best volume of this publication for some years. It faithfully records the events of the year, and its tone shows a faith in the successful future of "Old Union" worthy of her present sons.

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"Whisper to the wondering maiden,
Tales of Union's fame.
Out upon the world's broad highway,
Bear the news along,
Tell how Union's star hath risen,
Sing Concordia's song."

Hear this from the UNION SONG:

"Let the Grecian dream of his sacred stream,
And sing of the brave adorning
That Phœbus weaves from his laurel leaves
At the golden gates of morning;
But the brook that bounds through Union's grounds
Gleams bright as the Delphic water,
And a prize as fair as a God may wear,
Is a dip from our Alma Mater!"

The finer illustrations of the book are all devoted to undergraduate organizations, viz.—*Garnet* board, Foot-ball team, and Glee Club.

It has already been mentioned that the *Oracle* prefaces the Greek-letter chapter lists with group phototypes of the chapter members, the first annual in which we have seen this done. Fourteen non-fraternity men in the Freshman class make a larger number in that class alone than have heretofore been found in the whole college. President A. W. Small is presented to *Oracle* readers in a handsome photogravure frontispiece, and his biography together with the "REVIEW OF THE YEAR" makes in-

teresting and good reading. There is a program of the exercises at the "Laying of the Corner Stone of Shannon Observatory" with the two "Odes" written for the occasion. A contributor has a good article on the "Higher Education of Women at College," arguing for the development of a distinct department of the University for the education of women.

The *Record* of '90 is the first volume of the University of Pennsylvania annual that we have seen. It is a publication well worth preserving. It contains 252 pages of reading matter, exclusive of advertisements. It is bound in heavy cloth board whose black face bears the legend "RECORD MDCCCXC" and a red and blue ribbon with the seal of the University stamped over it. Its frontispiece is a fine photogravure of Horace Jayne, of the Medical Faculty. The RECORD is issued on a plan different from other annuals. It is essentially what its name implies —"the Record of the Class 1890." It of course mentions the athletic and society events of the year, but the body of the book is made up from the events of years 1887–90 with which the class of '90 was directly associated. Thus it chronicles happenings of one, two, and three years back. The Senior Class Day productions, delivered June 3, 1890 are all given in full. A half tone plate reproduces the costumes of the Junior Ball, February, 1889. Other plates show the "Glee Club" and "Football Team."

The fraternities represented on the RECORD are given in this order—*ΔΥ*, *ΔΦ*, *ΔΨ*, *ΖΨ*, *ΦΔΘ*, *ΦΚΣ*, *ΦΚΨ*, and *ΦΔΦ*. The other organizations and societies of the University are legion.

The Washington and Jefferson *Pandora* has a good leather outside, and a well looked after inside. As in its predecessor interest in the book centers in the attention paid to alumni. There are biographical sketches of six men prominent in their mature years who have been connected with the college, and fine phototypes of each are given. These are Rev. Jonathan Edwards, of Meadville, first president of the united W. & J. colleges: J. D. Moffat, president of W. & J.; Rev. Matthew Brown Riddle, of Allegheny; Rev. G. P. Hayes, Kansas City; the late Rev. A. Donaldson, West Lebanon, Pa.; and Hon. H. H. Bingham, Philadelphia. The expense and labor involved in securing these are surely repaid in the interest made in the book for old time friends of the institution. Aside from this the *Pandora* is much the same as other annuals.

The *Gale* from Knox, in binding, type and arrangement is enough like the *Makio* to be its twin. Its characteristics are much the same, and it improves over the *Makio* in that its cuts and cartoons have been finely executed and are open to no criticism. A frontispiece plate shows the recent additions to the college faculty; another plate of Prof. Milton L. Comstock pref-

aces a biographical sketch. The new college chapel is given in perspective view, and promises to be Knox's finest building by far. The Base Ball team has also posed for photograph. There is an interesting sketch of the Inter-State Oratorical Contests, and record of prizes from 1874 to the present. Also a cut of the solid silver and gold cup presented to the Illinois Athletic Association by Knox.

The Wooster *Index* is the poorest executed annual that we have seen since its predecessor last year. We refer more to its mechanical execution, and the poor quality of its cuts. The type, style of setting, and general make up are ancient and out of taste. Second class "stock" cuts are still run in to fill up, and original designs appear in plates as fantastic failures. The department of miscellany is full to overflowing with literary matter of light vein, with some good local hits. The features which really make this year's *Index* are the half tone plates of Pres't Scovel, the late Karl Merz, Prof. Stoddard, "Interior Views of Karl Merz's Music Hall," the Foot Ball Team, and the frontispiece of the *Index* Board.

The *Ouiatenon* from Wabash, evidently considered the *Onondagan* of Syracuse a model, since it is closely copied after that volume of three years ago. The names are both of Indian origin and the title page design "A Ouiatenon Maiden" is a direct copy of that which appears regularly in the Syracuse annual as "The Onondagan Maiden." There are not many pages devoted to miscellaneous literary and caricature squibs, the college classes, fraternity, literary and athletic organizations occupying the greater space. A wood cut of J. M. Coulter, Wabash's young and able professor of biology, is the frontispiece and is followed by a biographical sketch. There is a half-tone of the Editorial Board and wood cuts of the campus and library interior. "THE COLLEGE" is an article smacking very much of the catalogue, but withal an article such as might well be found in every annual, as all ought to herald the advantages claimed for their institution. We miss in the *Ouiatenon* the customary steel plates accompanying chapter lists. These are given without illustrations.

The DePauw *Mirage* is more pretentious than the Indianian just mentioned, and in appearance is much as its predecessors. Outside of the statistical part of the book, the interest centers in its illustrations. "What the Frats 'Spike' on" in a word or two makes a good hit at each chapter. Instead of steel plates the chapter lists are accompanied by half-tone plates showing the members, except Δ Τ Δ, Δ Κ Ε, and the ladies, these are worked into badge form, showing both chapter members and the fraternity badge in each plate. In the two plates showing the Faculty we notice J. P. D John, the new and popular President, as the

central figure in the first. H. A. Gobin, after a few years in Kansas, once more appears in the DePauw faculty, now as Dean of the Theological school. Other plates show the college buildings and the *Mirage* board.

The *Hellenian*, neatly bound, in gray cloth, is the first annual published by the University of North Carolina fraternities. As such it is more than a usual success and deserves compliment. Lacking in all expensive illustrative features save the steel fraternity plates, nevertheless it at once impresses the reader as not being devoid of interest. The Editors have declined to attempt that which they could not do well, consequently illustrations are few, but what there are call for praise rather than criticism. The book, being Volume I, is throughout statistical and there are no literary features to review, "Dedication" and "Salutatory" being the most attempted. Historical sketches and alumni as well as active lists are given of each Greek letter chapter.

There are but 86 pages of reading matter in the Dickinson *Microcosm*, but these abound in matter tastily selected, and the book in general tone is up with the best. The illustrations are good, including several half-tones. There are several designs in letter cuts at heads of articles well worth being studied by the editors of sister annuals for the coming year. The foot ball record since 1888 shows a wonderful improvement in Dickinson's athletics.

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There are many points in annuals expressive of elegance and demerit that are not features to be picked out and specified separately. But at the same time they go to make up the tone of the book. There is taste to be offended here as well as in society, and things may be in good form and they may not be so. It is the ability to discriminate in these matters that helps make a good annual as well as extra pages of reading matter and illustrations. One page with a tasty cut and a bright couplet, is far superior to several pages of long drawn poetical satire, and poorly executed cartoons. Fine paper and a good printer are likewise essentials, and are as much matter of necessity as brains in the editorial cranium. It is the quality and not the quantity of the work that calls for plaudit. The public will stop to admire a well polished diamond, however small, but has little time to contemplate the possible beauty beneath the surface of an unpolished stone.

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We again regret that we could not mention in detail the honor lists of each chapter, but will refer to some few principal ones. At Amherst, Massachusetts Beta has been very successful in scholarship, winning three college prizes, having a large representation in the Hitchcock society of inquiry, man on first Φ *B K*

SECRET
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ANNUAL COMMENCEMENT BALL AND BANQUET OF MISSOURI ALPHA.

The gayeties of commencement week at the University of Missouri began with the Twentieth Annual Reception and Banquet of Missouri Alpha Chapter of Phi Delta Theta, given in Haden Opera House, Monday evening, June 2nd. This entertainment has never been surpassed for beauty, elegance or enjoyment. It was perfect in every feature. The frolicsome youth and resplendent beauty of Columbia's society supplemented by numerous visitors from neighboring towns and St. Louis joined for one common end—mutual social enjoyment, and it is superfluous to say that none were disappointed.

The lights are hardly extinguished on one Phi party before anticipations the most pleasant are indulged for the next annnal. The prospect for pleasure that the evening of June the second would furnish has been looked forward to throughout the past year with an eager desire for realization. Many guests had arrived from a distance to be entertained by the generous hospitality of this fraternity's men.

The place for giving this party has been as little varied as the time. Last Monday evening the opera house, with all the fresh work of a skilled artist, and the elaborate decorations applied, was transformed into a place of unusual beauty and pleasure. Draperies of argent and azure adorning the balcony were caught up gracefully at intervals by rosettes of the same material to form festoons. This was added to by flowers and evergreens hung from the gas fixtures. From the central chandelier was suspended a large and exceedingly beautiful Japanese parasol the handle of which was wrapped alternately with argent and azure and to its lower end was secured a cluster of fresh, sweet-scented roses. This attracted the attention and elicited the admiration of every guest present. From the arch over the stage, fastened with a large rosette, hung the Phi monogram, and streamers of white and blue in graceful curves attached to either side in festoons. At the rear of the stage ample space was set apart by an arched scene for the purpose of serving the supper. Through the three arched portals hung with portiers of the colors of the fraternity, could be seen the table pleasingly decorated with flowers, which was the source of much comment. Draperies of white and blue were hung from a common centre over the table, one fastened to each of the four corners. To sum up, in the words of a guest, the room was a "picture of the prettiest fairyland the brightest imagination could conceive."

> On through air the enchanting music of the dance
> Rose like the throbbing of a single string."

At half past nine o'clock strains of sweet music broke forth from Prof. Pannell's orchestra, to which every throbbing heart kept time and the dance, the chief feature of the evening, began. The excellent music harmonized with every dancer's spirit and thoughts were lifted unawares out of and above "all meaner cares." After the twelfth dance there was an intermission which was filled with a menu both delicate and elaborate. The meats were seasoned to an epicure's taste and the ices, creams, cakes, coffee and chocolate were simply delicious. Mrs. J. C. Jones presided over this part of the evening's program and to her the Phis owe many thanks for its elegance and her kindness. This sumptuous feast enjoyed, the dance was resumed with renewed spirit until three o'clock when the familiar strains of "Home Sweet Home" announced that the evening's pleasures were ended.

In a word, every thing was complete. The young ladies resembled fairies flitting about over the waxed floor in slippered feet, like angels treading "the aetherial air" and the whole was like a vision of the prettiest imaginable fairy-land. The hall viewed from either entrance was enough to cause thrills of rapture to tingle in every soul such as were experienced by the wandering Peri gazing through the opening gates of Paradise.

Among the visiting guests were Misses Magee, Clarkson, Lindsley and Thompson of St. Louis; Miss Rothwell, of Montgomery City; Miss Hawks, of St. Joe; Misses Lackland and Gantt, Mexico; Miss Osborn, of Cameron; Miss Patterson, of Kansas City; Mrs. J. L. Sehon, of Dakota; Mr. and Mrs. Knapp, of St. Louis; Judge Jno. F. Philips, of Kansas City; Judge B. M. Dilly, of Hamilton; Judge E. Y. Mitchell, of Rolla; Messrs Clark, Holloway, Boogher, Lindsley and Matthews, of St. Louis; Haines, McGonigle and Mastin, of Kansas City; Percy Horde, of Mexico and Henry Burckhartt, of Fayette. Others present were: Judge and Mrs. Hinton, Judge and Mrs. Martin, Prof. and Mrs. Tiedman, Prof. Yantis, Prof. and Mrs. Jones, Dr. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Haines, Mrs. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Sebastian, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Evans, Dr. and Mrs. Watson, Mr. and Mrs. Clarkson, Walter Williams and Dr. McRae.

The members from Sigma Nu present were Messrs Whitsett (representative) Brownlee, Keller, Corder, Paxton, De Armam; Zeta Phis: Messrs Mitchell, Shields, Barrett and Byrd. The Beta Theta Pi representatives were Prof. J. C. Jones, and J. H. Boogher, of St. Louis. Mrs. Laura Anderson and Mrs. A. S. Haines were chaperons. The members of the Fraternity and the young ladies of the town we leave unmentioned for want of space.

J. C. TIPTON, '90.

A SUGGESTION CONCERNING AFFILIATIONS.

The editors of the new catalogue have experienced considerable difficulty in dealing with the subject of affiliations. We began the work of compiling the catalogue with the intention of enrolling all affiliates with both the chapter from which they affiliated and the chapter to which they affiliated, using cross references, giving under each the record made with that chapter and appending the biographical note to the last chapter in which they held membership. For a number of reasons this plan was found to be impracticable and we determined to follow the plan of the last edition and give the full record with the chapter to which the member affiliated.

This plan, however, does not give entire satisfaction. Some chapters lose a number of their best men from the roll by reason of their affiliation with other chapters and nothing remains to show on the face of the roll that the man ever belonged to their chapter. They contend that the credit of initiating a good man should be shown to belong to them and that their chapter record is greatly marred by the present plan.

On the other hand some chapters are recruited very largely from the membership of other chapters. Such is very notably the case at the University of Michigan and the University of Virginia. At the latter during the last Summer session there were eight Phis in attendance, seven of whom were from other chapters. These chapters contend that if they are not allowed the credit of affiliated members their chapter rolls will be greatly diminished.

Under the present plan the editors of the catalogue are unable to determine whether a man has properly affiliated with the chapter where he last attended school. His circular comes in with the date of affiliation upon it or his name is sent in as having affiliated at a certain date and it is a matter of impossiblilty for the editors to determine whether the certificate required by the constitution has been issued or not. Doubtless a large percentage of the men who are accredited and enrolled as having affiliated with another chapter has never in fact been constitutionally affiliated.

I doubt if any plan can be devised which will satisfactorily settle the matter. The plan of enrolling with both chapters would be best, but as stated above, it is impracticable and would in time encumber the book. I suggest for the consideration of the next National Convention the following arrangement. As heretofore, let the question of affiliation be one for each individual to settle for himself. If he desires to affiliate he should be equired to obtain of his chapter a certificate of membership such

as is precribed by Article XI, Section 4, of the Constitution. This certificate of membership should then be forwarded to the Historian of the General Council who should thereupon issue a certificate of application directed to the chapter with which the applicant desires to affiliate. The Historian of the General Council should be required to enter upon the Historian's reports of each chapter for that year a proper record of application; or a separate record of such affiliations might be more desirable. This record in the hands of the editors of the catalogue would enable them to determine with absolute accuracy all constitutional affiliations and would supply them with dates and facts which are now very troublesome to obtain.

The definition in the Constitution of Associate members could be changed to include those who attend other colleges without affiliating with the local chapters. The privileges and duties of such members should be defined and the chapters with which they associate should have full jurisdiction over them. These associate members would be enrolled in the catalogue with the chapter which initiated them.

I do not question but that a great many members are enrolled with chapters which they did not legally affiliate with and if they could have had a free choice they would not have affiliated with. I like chapter loyalty because I believe it is largely the secret of fraternity loyalty and I think that every member should have a fair chance to say in which chapter he prefers to have his membership. Under the present arrangement he is almost always, I may say, enrolled with the chapter where he last attended although his actual connection therewith might have been very slight. As a personal question I should be unwilling under any circumstances to have my name transferred from the chapter where I was initiated and others may feel as strongly as I do and therefore I hope the next Convention will adopt some plan to do away with the evils of the present arrangement.

FRANK D. SWOPE.

PHI DELTA THETA.

I sing my song to a Bond of Love,
Signed by a Brothers' Band,
Whose penalty comes from above,
The purest in this land.

I sing to friends whom this Bond doth make,
Whose love is true and tried;
I sing to a Friendship that we take
Through life—with love 'tis tied.

I sing my song to an Eye that's bright,
From mote and blemish free;
I sing to a Motto that's our light
Our duty's path to see.

I sing to a Shield, a Sword, a Scroll,
Grouped with these other themes,
And wrought into one perfect whole,
As fair as angels' dreams.

All hail! my dear Fraternity,
Thou bond of friendship bright,
Move on through all Eternity,
True Friendship's brightest light.

R. P. WETMORE, *Alabama Alpha.*

Birmingham, Ala.

ALABAMA STATE ASSOCIATION.

The Phis of Alabama held their annual convention for this year with the Alabama Alpha Chapter, at Tuskaloosa, June 19th, 1890. The event was one full of profit and pleasure to all those taking part.

For a day or two before the nineteenth, the brothers were arriving, so that by the time for assembling, a goodly number were present. In the absence of Brother McLeod, President of the Association, Vice President Brother Oliver, of Tuskaloosa, called the Convention to order, and the business of the day was at once dispatched.

Officers were elected for the ensuing year, as follows: President, J. F. Crook, of Jacksonville; Vice President, M. J. McAdory, Jonesboro; Secretary, J. A. Elmore, Montgomery; Treasurer, G. H. Dunlap, Mobile. An Executive Committee was also appointed, of the following: J. A. Elmore, Chairman;

W. E. Holloway, both of Montgomery; G. H. Dunlap, Alabama *A*; W. L. Baker, Alabama *B*; W. L. Haygood, Alabama *Γ*; and M. P. LeGrand, Montgomery.

Another Special Committee, consisting of Brothers Cottingham and Nelson, of Birmingham, and Dunlap, of Mobile, was appointed by will of the Convention. It is the duty of this committee to recommend to Phi chapters, such worthy young men as they know going to colleges within the State. Miscellaneous matters of business, of merely local import, were transacted, and the Convention adjourned until the annual meeting of 1891. The place of holding this was left to the Executive Committee, which, however, was limited in its choice of places, to Auburn, Alabama, with the Alabama *B* Chapter, or Montgomery.

Much of the time of the visitors was taken by visiting "Barracks" where Commencement Exercises were being held, and not a few of the friends of former college days were met, and the broken acquaintances of that time found happy renewal for the time being. At the University this year, the Cadet Phis were aided by several alumni members of the Junior Faculty, and of the Law class, all of whom took an active interest in the affairs of Phi Delta Theta, and who added all their energies to ward making the annual convention and banquet the success it was. These annual gatherings of the Phis of the State, are of more importance socially, than any other event in the college year. This one did not lag behind its predecessors in that respect. As the shades of night had fallen, the Phis, knights of Shield and Dagger, began to assemble in the spacious parlors of the Washington Hotel, accompanied by the beauty of Alabama's daughters, who were come to enjoy the festivities of an occasion which is known not a little throughout the State for its successful character, and this year was the event of the University "Commencement Week" There was no disappointment to those who had held anticipations of a good time. Strains of "witch-laden" music swelled upon the air, and a German delightfully led by Brother W. L. Smith, was begun, and the dancers held sway until midnight. 'Tis said this is the hour when ghosts do stalk about. But on this occasion the Phis and their ladies, usurped the shaded walks, and wound their way to the dining hall of the McLester House, where the banquet, appetizing to the smallest details, was served. A part of the assembly being of undergraduate brothers from the University, the committee decided to banish the sparkling cup from the board. So toasts were drunk in crystal, instead of ruby draughts.

The toasts offered were excellent and elicited the closest attention and heartiest responses, several being responded to by members of the various fraternities, who were our invited guests

of the evening. Brother Crook, as Symposiarch, made the program a veritable success, and himself the admired of all admirers.

The State Association is in a flourishing condition, and the annual conventions are pleasant occasions, ever to be remembered by those who have participated in them.

Fraternally,

JOHN A. ELMORE.

September 1st, 1890.

IS LIFE WORTH LIVING?

When times are dull,
Remember still thy worth, and crown thy life
With self-respect, and self-control.
Be ever ready to alleviate distress,
To pour some balm of joy in the ear
Of heavy sorrow, to weep with those who weep.
Go cheer thy life with sacrifice and toil
And learn that labor is its own reward.
Be just, and fear not to believe in God,
So will thy life be filled with enthusiasm
And inspiration, and thy spirit will disperse
All shadows. A golden crown of true success
Will be thine perpetually, and thou wilt teach
To all mankind—that life is ever worth
The living.

R. H. C., *Ohio Beta*, '84.

EDITORIAL.

THE Phis of Alpha Province will take notice of the change in date of the Province Convention, as announced in this number. New York Alpha is having a house built after plans of its own, and this will not be completed by the time originally set for the convention, and until it is completed the chapter would be in a poor condition to entertain the attendant Phis as it desires and expects. To obviate this difficulty, Bro. G. W. Roberts, President of the Province, announces the postponement of the convention until October 30th, by which time the chapter will be settled in its new home, and will dedicate it to Phi Delta Theta by entertaining the convention. The doors of its hospitality are to be opened wide, and we are requested to extend the invitation to all who can, to be there and enjoy the good time the convention promises to afford. Alpha is a strong Province, with seventeen chapters on its roll, and with the convention at Ithaca in good hands, it should be well attended. There is in it the possibilities of much resultant good to the chapters, and none can afford to miss it. We expect the December SCROLL to be able to give an account of the third and best convention of the Province. May the brothers in Phi Delta Theta make their pæans of rejoicing ring in gladsome notes over Cayuga's bosom.

As the Phis reassemble in their chapters once more after the long vacation of the heated term, we know it must be with energies recuperated by rest, and with the determination to do a year of valiant work for the college and the Fraternity. The SCROLL greets you all, is glad to make its visit to you, and would urge you on to the work before you. As regards your chapter, begin the year with the determination to do such work that there will be no regrets to express over "ifs" and "buts" next June, and so that it shall be able to reassemble a year from this September stronger than now. Keep this ambition in mind, and strive your best to realize it. The fall months are ones much devoted to the Freshman. He will absorb the time and attention of every chapter, and in him lies some of the future possibilities of the Fraternity. As the SCROLL said last year, we would say

again—know well upon whom you elect to confer the privileges of Phi Delta Theta. Not every youth that dons a college garb is suitable for the intimate associations of fraternity life, and it devolves upon you to select from among them those whose character and ability are such that they are fitted for the place you would have them take. Insist upon it that your candidate shall have intellect, social refinement, and well-directed energies, and don't be satisfied until you find the man that has them. Fine clothes and plethoric purses are good enough in their way, but they can not be the *open sesame* to your chapter. Culture and social refinement do not usually disguise themselves beneath generally neglected personal appearances, but many assume these tokens of gentility without a personal equation sufficient to properly carry out the inference. Therefore, if you need time to become better acquainted with your candidates, you can well afford to take it. The action of a hasty rival ought not to precipitate you to an invitation against your better judgment. Chapters in every fraternity have at some time or other taken to themselves a poor accession simply because the Alphas, Betas, and Gammas were after him, and if they didn't invite him then they would never get him. When you have satisfied yourselves that you have found the men you want, there is no energy of yours too good to be spent in securing them. Leave no honest effort unmade in your campaign, and use the resources of the Fraternity as they are adapted to the case. The character and standing of the Fraternity at large is a standing argument to add weight to whatever local hold you have on your men. The from day to day life of the Fraternity as recorded in the SCROLL, and the various enterprises of the chapters, are in themselves potent factors that will win men for you in many contests. We would not forget to say a word concerning your rivals. Abstain from a campaign run on political principles. Present your own merits, let your rivals present theirs, and the candidate is able to judge for himself.

If fraternities are organized bodies of young men, fired with gentlemanly instincts, then surely there is no call for a campaign of political mud in the seeking of recruits from the incoming class. Phi chapters, standing by the principles of their Frater-

nity, enter upon the new year with all the confidence of success that the memory of a successful one just past begets.

WITH this number the SCROLL completes one volume under the management to which it was intrusted at the Bloomington convention. We believe it is the first volume ever conducted under the supervision of a single Editor, who also acted as Business Manager. Preceding Editors have always called to their assistance a manager, to look after the business interests, and usually have had co-editors. It is also the first volume for which the Editor has received a regular compensation. How well the magazine has prospered it is not for us to say. The Fraternity is the party sought to be pleased, and by its verdict we will measure our success. We have, however, given our best efforts to make the magazine what it should be, and what, if we can judge by enthusiastic letters received, it succeeds in being,—a fraternity magazine without a superior. Whatever of interest may have attached to the issues of the past volume did not result as a matter of course, but came through much time and care in preparing them. Our Reporters were on the whole exceedingly prompt in their work, and stood ready to carry out requests made by the Editor. To their efficient co-operation in furnishing manuscript for chapter correspondence, personals, and accounts of special events, must be given much credit. But he who thinks that the Editor doesn't have much more to do than to look over the manuscript sent in, and furnish a few pages himself, and that on the whole it doesn't take much time, rests under a delusion and snare of a marked type. We did not expect it to be otherwise, so can not say that we are disappointed, or that we find the work not what our fancy painted it. We have profited by a year's experience, and stand ready to make it good in the volume to come. Our energies will be directed towards bettering the coming issues, and to this end we ask your co-operation. This can be done only by work. We may call upon you for some, and hope to receive a loyal response.

THERE has been a great deal of talk about fraternity magazines going over old subjects, at one time possessed of interest, but now worn threadbare. It is granted that the topics are yet per-

tinent, but that they have been so thoroughly discussed as to not admit of new light being thrown upon them. Editors seek new topics and wonder what can be found for a coming issue. As for the SCROLL, it stands a good chance of going over a good deal of the same ground from year to year. Nearly one-third of the SCROLL's readers each year are new ones who know nothing of what has been published before, and with only the volume filed away in the chapter hall accessible, very few ever become well acquainted with the contents of past volumes. For this reason we believe that the subjects that have been the stand-bys of the past will continue to be so. Their discussion may become monotonous to the Editors who have read the magazines year after year, but with the undergraduate reader it is different. We will greet more than three hundred readers this year for the first time, and we shall strive in all ways to enlist their interest in our pages.

IN connection with the above we would ask each chapter if it maintains the attitude towards the SCROLL that it feels is for the best interests of both. If you are not sure in what can these relations be bettered? The SCROLL aims to be not only a channel of communication between the chapters, but it also is the educator of the members in their Fraternity. The more a Phi reads the SBROLL and follows the discussions in its pages, the better and more enthusiastic a Phi he becomes. It would be hard to get a full appreciation of all the benefits derived from it, unless for some reason it had to be done away with. Its absence would certainly bring abundant testimony as to its usefulnesss. The chapters ought to make it a rule to derive from it all the good there is to be had. Each number should find its way to the chapter meeting, where it should be read in open meeting. The chapter will then come to feel that it is *its* magazine in whose conduct and discussions it shall have a part. Letters from the chapters should not be overlooked as they from time to time broach ideas on chapter life that can be appropriated by your own chapter, nor can you afford to be ignorant of their doings. You will enjoy reading general fraternity and college notes, and the reading of an article on some question of general fraternity policy will call forth the opinion of your chapter on it. And

these are the little points, that being looked after by all, redound so much to the welfare of the Fraternity.

We very much want that *every* chapter shall feel that it has a direct and personal interest in the SCROLL, and strive to carry out its obligations to it. Make it a part of your chapter discussions. Be prepared not only to see wherein it needs improvement, but be ready with all your energies to do what you can to bring the improvement about. Impress upon your younger members its value to them as making them acquainted with the Fraternity, and in proportion to the knowledge they gain of $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$, and of the fraternity world in general, so will they become zealous adherents of our cause.

BROTHER SWOPE'S communication regarding the matter of affiliations broaches a subject that is of particular interest to a number of the chapters. Every chapter that has at any time had one of its members go to another school and there affiliate with a sister chapter, and every one which has added an affiliate to its roll has a direct and pertinent interest in the subject. The fifth edition of the catalogue published in 1883 catalogued those members which had held membership in more than one chapter, only with the chapter to which they had affiliated or last belonged. The fact that they had belonged to another chapter was indicated by a note stating that tney had been initiated by such and such a chapter. That such a system of cataloguing is unsatisfactory all will admit. The carrying of the name with biographical and college notes on both rolls makes a large addition to tne difficulties necessarily experienced in getting the rolls correct. The subject is one that has held our interest for some time. We commend Bro. Swope's communication to all for careful consideration. He presents both sides of the case, and practically sums up in the conclusion which he states the Editors of the Sixth Edition have come to. That is, they will follow the plan of the '83 catalogue and list a member only with the chapter to which he last belonged.

Personally, the Editor of the SCROLL will with much regret see such a plan followed. It seems like a deprivation of rights that each chapter shall not find in the Fraternity Catalogue all the names that have been on its roll, and helped to make its history.

The book aims to be a true roster of the chapter lists, as well as merely to contain in the aggregate the name of every member of the Fraternity. It is the exception to the rule for a member to become as wrapped up in the chapter with which he affiliates as in the one which initiated him into the Fraternity. The great majority, if their names were to be enrolled with but one chapter, would if given choice, ask to have their names enrolled with their first chapter. We do not know the number of transfers that have been recorded in the Fraternity but would not judge the number to be far from three hundred and at the most to exceed four hundred. It is looking forward a good piece to anticipate the time when the list shall become so large as to burden the book if mentioned twice. That bridge need not be crossed until reached, and then no doubt, a solution can be reached as well as now. But with the list in its present proportions we would like to see the following plan adopted: let each chapter roll show the name of every member who has once been enrolled with it. If any one has affiliated with other chapters, let the roll show only his name, date of initiation, and present address, while all other data shall be listed with the name on the roll of the chapter to which he last belonged, the record in this case being made as in the 1883 catalogue. This adds somewhat to the work, but we cannot see how it adds much to its intricacy. If the record shows that a member of such a chapter was affiliated from a certain other chapter, the name and address can easily be entered on the other list. And in that way, one thing is sure, every member and every chapter will be satisfied with their representation.

We write this to call the attention of the chapters to the matter, so if they have views to express, it can be done quickly. The Editors of the Catalogue are working faithfully and desire to present a work eminently a satisfaction to the Fraternity. Whatever they do, will be what in their premises they deem best. But if any new light can be thrown on the present question, now is the time for it.

In this issue we present a Review of College Annuals, that is novel in being illustrated by plates from the books received. We trust that the article and its illustrations will prove interesting to

every reader of the SCROLL, and that from it Phi editors on the annuals of the coming year, may be able to derive points of help in their work. We are indebted to West, the Printer, Easton, Pa., and Pennsylvania Alpha for the *Melange* plate; the Gazette Printing Co., Meadville, Pa., and Pennsylvania Delta for *Kaldron* plates; S. A. Murdoch & Co., San Francisco, and California Alpha for the *Blue and Gold* cartoon; and the Gazette Printing House, Columbus, O., and Ohio Zeta for *Makio* illustrations.

We have been much pleased with the hearty response we have had from chapters to our request for annuals. The generous promptness with which so many have been sent us is a tangible mark of the interest of the SCROLL, and we take it, an indorsement of the review. There have been calls similar to our own made in several of our contemporaries, but we claim the heartiest response of all. We expect to follow this the fourth review, by the fifth in its good time, and would now give a hint as to the request that will be issued next spring.

In the editorial of the June number on the Minnesota transaction, the SCROLL said that it understood that President Northrop of the University did not deny having taken the petition East and handing it over to the parties who presented it to the Delta Kappa Epsilon officials. This was stated merely as a negative inference in connection with the statement of the young men in the same paragraph, which statement of theirs is a matter of fact, and was meant to convey the impression that they expected President Northrop to take it East. We are in receipt of a courteous favor from the latter, which says that he did not take the petition East, and had nothing whatever to do with its getting to Delta Kappa Epsilon officials. The SCROLL takes pleasure in making public this denial of President Northrop's, which clears him of a connection with the dishonorable transaction, which the statement of the then would-be Delta Kappa Epsilons imputed to him.

WITH this issue we present as a supplement the article on Phi Delta Theta that has been prepared especially for the new edition of W. R. Baird's work on American College Fraternities. It has been compiled from the large amount of historical matter in his

possession, by Brother W. B. Palmer, and is the most accurate and complete sketch of the Fraternity ever compiled, being as near absolutely correct in all the points mentioned as exhaustive research can make it. It is a valuable supplement, and can be made of much use by the chapters in their work this fall.

THE SCROLL has watched with much interest the various opinions set forth on practical Pan-hellenism in the columns of our esteemed contemporaries. So far it has taken no part in the discussion. It has however had a keen interest in all that has been said, and whenever the way opens for some practical work the SCROLL and Phi Delta Theta will be found ready to co-operate. The SCROLL believes in Pan-hellenism thoroughly, but likely is not so optimistic as others who have expressed views. The field in which there can be practical work is limited. Consolidation is a matter which will receive attention from stronger and weak fraternities on the basis of selection and affinity, and will be entirely an individual affair. There have been absorptions in the past, and likely there will be in the future, but the absorbed fraternity will never be one that wields more than a limited influence, such as did *Δ Σ X*, *K Σ K*, Mystic Seven, The Rainbow, *Φ M O*, &c. None of those taking part in the present discussion will ever lose name and insignia in the changes of the future. The SCROLL also believes that it would be putting the cart before the horse to begin with the so-called conference of all fraternities. Until the several fraternities themselves have reached definite views on the subject, there can never be a conference of delegates that can pass more than advisory measures and these have to fall back upon the journals for discussion and indorsement. The SCROLL is the medium by which is fostered and matured many of the principles in the policy of our Fraternity. The same holds true of all other fraternity publications.

A conference of fraternity Editors appears to be something of practical value, and is something the SCROLL would like to see and work for. Its delegates, as editors, would be men that from month to month have definite work to do for their respective fraternities, and whatever ideas are gained at such a conference will help to fashion the utterances and bearing of the magazine so far as can be done by the Editor in charge. Nothing else

that has been proposed seems to have in it as much possibility for good as such a Convention. Its results would not be in any great innovations, but the meeting together of men engaged in a common work. A program of papers and discussions upon subjects pertaining to their work cannot help but raise the plane of the fraternity journal. With more editorial acquaintances we would have fewer acrid discussions. A refusal from a number to enter into the conference of all fraternities would make of little avail the measures sought to be passed, as those present would hesitate to enter into an agreement to which all principal competitors were not parties. A conference of Editors, no matter how few were represented, could discuss important matters, agree to advocate certain courses and maintain positions that could not help benefiting their fraternities, and in a measure, leavening the whole. Let us not build our Pan-hellenic castles too high, least some disappointment overthrow the whole. But if we can benefit ourselves by something that is entirely within reach, by all means let us do so.

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATION.

FROM THE PRESIDENT OF ALPHA PROVINCE.

In order to conform with plans of the New York Alpha Chapter, the date of the Alpha Province convention is hereby changed to October 30th, on which date it will assemble in the chapter house at Ithaca. Let there be full representations from all the chapters of the Province at that time.

In the bond,

GEO. W. ROBERTS, *Prest.*

New York, N. Y., Aug. 19, 1890.

CHAPTER CORRESPONDENCE.

ALPHA PROVINCE.

MAINE ALPHA, COLBY UNIVERSITY.

Last Commencement the college calendar at Colby was rearranged so that the Fall term does not commence until the *last* week in September, instead of the first, as heretofore. So in this letter to the SCROLL we can tell only of what some of our boys have been doing during the summer vacation.

Three of our number, Bros. Averell, Cary, and Roberts, left us by the graduation of '90. All three intend to teach during the coming year.

A large number of us, beguiled by the smooth words of the general agent, have been trying the ups and downs, the joys and sorrows of canvassing, and we are looking forward to the opening of another term when we may learn some *new* lesson to repeat the trial.

Colby's outlook was never brighter than to-day, and we anticipate a profitable year in college and chapter work, but we must be active in order to have our hopes realized.

We send greeting to all who wear the white and blue.

ALBERT G. HURD.

Waterville, Sept. 9, 1890.

NEW HAMPSHIRE ALPHA, DARTMOUTH COLLEGE.

In this, the first letter of her new reporter, New Hampshire Alpha sends greeting to all her sister chapters. The year at Dartmouth closed in a manner very gratifying to the members of the chapter. There were regrets, of course, at the departure of the '90 delegation, but the encouraging prospect of securing a strong representation from '94 caused us to look forward to the coming year with pleasant anticipation. There was considerable enthusiasm manifested at the closing meetings of the year for the work of the coming fall term; many new plans were considered, and in all probability radical changes in the methods of work will be made, which, it is hoped, will be productive of good results.

The commencement exercises this year, lacking some of the usual features, were perhaps not as well attended as usual, but those who were present were well repaid for the time spent. The action of the religious society in not allowing the college church to be used for the commencement concert, and the retaliation of

the class in giving up the class day exercises, are too well known and have been too widely discussed to require any mention here.

The exercises of the week opened on Sunday, June 22d, with a baccalaureate sermon by President Bartlett. The graduating class occupied seats immediately in front of the pulpit, and the church was filled to its utmost capacity. His theme was the Value of Character, closing his discourse with an address to the graduating class, urging them to carefully consider the practical nature of the truth presented. Monday evening the Annual Prize Speaking Contest took place in Bissell Hall. Music was acceptably furnished for the occasion by the College Glee and Banjo Club. The graduating exercises of the well known Chandler School of Science and the Arts occurred on Tuesday evening. The class was large, and the themes were of unusual excellence.

A feature of the week's programme was the laying of the corner stone of the Dartmouth Y. M. C. A. building, on Wednesday afternoon. Addresses were made by Rev. J. M. Dutton, '73, Hon. Dexter Richards, and W. E. Reed, '90, president of the association, after which the corner stone was laid by President Bartlett. The building will be a model of neatness and convenience, and there is no doubt but that the work of the association will be immeasurably benefited by it. In the evening a concert was given, though not under the auspices of the graduating class. Those who attended it expressed themselves as much pleased with the programme, which was excellently rendered by a New York orchestra, assisted by vocalists.

The graduating exercises were held in the college church on Thursday morning. The programme consisted of fifteen orations and disputations, all of which were well written and presented. In the evening the exercises of the week closed with a very successful ball, given by one of the Senior societies.

New Hampshire Alpha feels quite proud of the record her representatives have made during the past year, both in scholarship and athletics. Bro. Stavers, '90, managed the 'Varsity Base Ball Team, on which Bro. Norton, '90, played second base. Bro. Gould, '92, was elected Junior director of the Foot Ball Association, and will become manager in his Senior year. Bro. Norton, '90, played end rush in the 'Varsity team, and it is generally admitted that his brilliant run down the field in the second half saved the game for us at Springfield, when it was all but lost to Williams. Bro. Partridge, '92, played substitute last year, and it is probable that he will be a 'Varsity man this fall. At Worcester we were represented by Bros. Rowe, '90; Rowe, '91; and Norton, '92.

Bro. Beebe, '90, received final honors in English, and also, with Bro. Grover, received a commencement appointment.

Bro. McKenzie, '91, left us just before the close of the year, to take an appointment under the Nicarauga Canal Co., where he expects to remain for a year. We were exceedingly sorry to lose him, both on account of his scholarship and popularity with his mates. Bro. Kibbey, '91, will be president of the Y. M. C. A. for the coming year. Bro. Flanders, '92, took final honors in Mathematics, and also the second prize in the Thayer Mathematical Examination at the close of the year.

We feel that our chapter is in a very prosperous condition. The meetings have been well attended, and have grown more interesting from week to week. This we attribute to increased activity on the part of the members as well as to closer social acquaintance among the members. An important factor in bringing about the latter condition has been a billiard table, which was placed in the rooms at the beginning of the summer term. We feel that it has been an invaluable addition to the furnishings of our rooms.

Again extending cordial greeting, New Hampshire Alpha wishes all her sister chapters a year of great prosperity.

CHAS. B. GORDON.

Hanover, Sept. 1, 1890.

VERMONT ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT.

The '90 boys of Vermont Alpha reflected much credit upon themselves and the white and blue at commencement. While commencement week always yields us a large share of honors, we have been unusually fortunate this year. Upon class-day Bro. Howe had the campus oration, Bro. Sornborger the address to undergraduates, and Bro. Morgan, the ode. Bro. Grow was our representative at Junior exercises, while of the eight gentlemen who spoke at commencement, four, Bros. Forbes, Howe, Parsons and Sornborger were Phis. Bro. Howe graduated with double honors and led his class for the four years, his standing having been equalled by only one person during the history of the college. He and Bro. Forbes were elected to Phi Beta Kappa. Bro Mower, '92, received distinction in Greek.

On Tuesday night of the commencement week, we held our annual banquet at the Hotel Burlington. A large number of the alumni were present, and the occasion was a most enjoyable one.

This year's annual, the *Ariel*, was conceded to be the best annual ever gotten out at the U. V. M. Bro. Bosworth was the editor-in-chief, and much praise is due him for the very able manner in which he performed his duties. The new *Ariel* board includes Bro. Mower, editor-in-chief, and Bro. Lewis, associate editor.

In view of the recent marriages, Vermont Alpha extends congratulations to Bros. C. W. Baker and Jeffords. Bro. Baker was married June 5th, to Miss Rebeka Wheeler, of this city. The wedding, which was one of the most brilliant society events of the season, was attended by the members of Vermont Alpha in a body. Bro. Earl Wilbur, '86, was best man, and Bro. Bosworth was one of the ushers. We clip the following from the *Daily Free Press:*

"At the conclusion of the ceremony, the invited guests proceeded to 'Fern Hill' to attend the reception given by Mrs. J. H. Brown, in honor of the newly wedded couple. Flowers in profusion filled the lower rooms, and on the piano in the drawing room, was a large floral shield and dagger from the Vermont Alpha of Phi Delta Theta, representing the badge of the society of which Mr. Baker was a member, he having graduated from the U. V. M. in the class of '86. An elegant collation was served during the evening, and though the reception proper came to a close at 10 o'clock, yet on special invitation of Mrs. Brown, many of the guests remained to dance, for which part of the entertainment music was furnished by seven pieces of the Howard Opera House Orchestra."

The 'Varsity nine while on their Massachusetts' trip played at Amherst, and the Phi members of the club were nicely entertained by the brothers of Massachusetts Beta. At commencement we were pleased to have a visit from Bro. Lewis, of Massachusetts Beta. We would be very happy to have all Phis who may happen our way pay us a visit.

Vermont Alpha is called upon to mourn the death of Bro. Jed. S. Lane, '86, who died at Murphy, N. C., Aug. 2. He was a gentleman in every sense of the word, and by his genial disposition he made many friends wherever he went. In his death $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$ loses one of her most loyal sons, and Vermont Alpha a brother who will be greatly missed by those who knew him.

The Freshman class bids fair to be the largest class that has ever entered the University. The "horse-shedding" committee already have their eyes on some fine fellows whom they hope to secure.

We are happy to annonnce that Bro. Willard, who was obliged to leave college last spring on account of ill-health, is much better and will be back with his class this fall.

Vermont Alpha earnestly wishes success to all chapters in this new college year.

T. C. CHENEY.

Burlington, Aug. 9, 1890.

NEW YORK ALPHA, CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

The recent commencement was a very pleasant one for New York Alpha. Two of our men won the highest honors in college and our crews, both 'Varsity and Freshman carried the carnellian and white to the fore. Bro. F. A. Abbott, '90, won the Woodford Prize in Oratory, the highest honor in Cornell. Bro. G. A. Blauvelt, '90, was given Special Honors in History by the faculty and was also one of the contestants for the Woodford. The thesis of Bro. E. S. Bowen, '90, was noted by the faculty as one of distinguished excellence. Bro. J. T. Morrison, '90, Law School, was awarded the prize of $100.00 for the best thesis in the Senior Law Class. His subject was "The Liability of Telegraph Companies." We think we have a right to feel proud of our Seniors as they have made a most creditable record.

Our crews won every race they entered. The 'Varsity eight defeated Bowdoin June 18th, on Cayuga Lake, in a three mile straightaway race with little trouble. The victory that pleased us most of all was the Freshman race at New London. The contestants in this race were Cornell, Yale and Columbia. Cornell won again, our boys leading through the entire race. Two days later the Varsity crew defeated the University of Pennsylvania, breaking the world's record for a three mile race. On the night that the crews returned to Ithaca they received a splendid ovation. Excited collegians drew the victorious oarsmen around in open carriages, while red light, bonfires and all kinds of fireworks turned night into day. For once, "Town and Gown," were thoroughly united in a successful effort to make sleep impossible. The jollification wound up with a banquet to the successful crew.

We earnestly hope that every chapter in Alpha Province will be represented in the coming convention. After the struggle our delegates had in the Bloomington Convention to preserve our Province intact, let every chapter send at least one representative and make good the claim that Alpha is the Banner Province. If each chapter will inform the writer of this letter as to how many men they expect to send it will be a great favor.

When the Convention meets in October we shall be in a new and convenient house which is being erected after our plans at the present time. The first and second stories are to be finished in hard wood and the third in Georgia pine. The entrance hall, parlor, library and reception room will have hard wood floors and ceilings. A more extended account of our residence will be given in our next letter.

Our prospects for the year are good. We shall start with at least fifteen men and already have two good men virtually pledged.

FRANK G. GARDNER.

Ithaca, Aug. 23, 1890.

NEW YORK GAMMA, COLLEGE OF CITY OF NEW YORK.

Well—another year has rolled away and another commencement depleted the ranks of active New York Gamma, enriching the alumni by seven loyal and enthusiastic Phis.

One Senior, Bro. Wm. Stuart, we initiated in the May vacation, and so, actively, he has not had much opportunity to show his metal, but his initiation was a benefit to the alumni.

The past has been a very eventful year. We have had trials —social and financial—but New York Gamma has successfully breasted all the surges and it is no mere glittering generality to say that she now has before her a bright, hopeful future.

We have had to change our place of meeting twice during the past year, but have now what we hope and expect will be permanent quarters, generously provided by the alumni of our chapter. Brothers Rainey and Walker are enjoying a cruise on the Sound. Most of the boys will spend their vacation in the country, but some will remain in the city until college opens again, and then we expect to swell our numbers by three or four prospective Phis.

A large proportion of the fraternity men of the Class of '90 were members of $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$—seven out of twenty. The other fraternity men were: $\Phi\ \Gamma\ \Delta$, five; $\Delta\ K\ E$, four; $\Theta\ \Delta\ X$, 3 and $A\ \Delta\ \Phi$, 2.

New York Gamma extends hearty congratulations to Bro. Roberts, formerly of Vermont Alpha, who has recently come to New York, upon his marriage; it was largely due to his zeal and coöperation that we procured our comfortable rooms. Our best wishes for future happiness to the doctor and his bride.

LOUIS E. VAN NORMAN.

New York, Aug. 1, 1890.

PENNSYLVANIA BETA, PENNSYLVANIA COLLEGE.

In the midst of vacation it is with no little exertion, yet with pleasure that we attempt to compile a letter to the SCROLL out of the chaotic recollections of commencement time. Pennsylvania Beta withheld its letter from the June number, alone out of regard to the crowded condition of that issue; not because of death or disaster. And we expect to be actively alive next September with ten answers to the chapter roll. We lost two with the class of '90, Bros. Kepler and Ulsh, both to aspire to an M. D., probably at Philadelphia.

Pennsylvania College closed a most prosperous year. Its property more than doubled, its endowment increased in almost like proportion and two able men were added to the faculty. The commencement exercises were held in the almost completed Brua Chapel. The Freshmen outnumbered the Seniors and Juniors together and the indications for the class of '94 are equally encouraging.

The fraternity life still maintains its individuality. Its loyalty, fullness of enjoyment, and never-fading freshness are a puzzle to the Barbarian. This, our own little social world, raises student life above the plane of drudgery. Pleasant memories of Phi associations and the contemplation of them make vacation days pass too slowly in our desire for a renewal.

A hasty review at long range is scarcely satisfactory. Δ Τ Ω was very quiet, yet not the quietness of inactivity, and they are building up a strong chapter; they graduated 2. Σ Χ numbers only four; however they were granted a lot for a house and expect to build immediately; they graduated 1. Φ Κ Ψ held several successful receptions during the year; they graduated 3. Φ Γ Δ is strongest in numbers, and in scholarship they captured the Prize Essay and two out of six commencement honors.

Chapter houses are welcomed by the fraternity life at Gettysburg. Recently a member of the Faculty stated that fraternities must give evidences of having come to stay and to benefit before they can receive proper recognition from the faculty. These evidences are forthcoming, and the recognition too, since it is only this year that the ban against sending delegates to conventions was removed.

There is not that union between the chapters at Pennsylvania which we would like to see. The classes were small; the available material less; the contests close, sometimes bitter. But good feeling is growing and we hope soon to find that united action in which there is strength. Last commencement our chapter received overtures for a pan-hellenic banquet, with Φ Γ Δ left out, but Φ Δ Θ promptly repudiated such action.

Next to the pleasure of initiating is the pleasure of reporting an initiation. Several of our alumni participated in the enlivening of an evening before the June close. The mysterious hours ushered into the mystic brotherhood Bros. Cook and Ehrhart. The "exercises" engendered an appetite in us, to which Minnigh knows how to cater; "for we've all been there many a time." The chapter was greatly strengthened by her initiates. Bro. Keen of Jan. 10th fame, is the acknowledged leader of '92 and Bro. Cook is his closest follower.

In the Bond,

R. B. WOLF.

Gettysburg, Aug. 15, 1890.

PENNSYLVANIA DELTA, ALLEGHENY COLLEGE.

As this letter closes my active fraternity life, I am loth to commence. It is with a feeling of sadness that we who are leaving realize that no more will we be permitted to work and enjoy the chapter life, for in our four years of college life it has been bound inseparably to it with ties of friendship that will never break. If never before, we see now why a fraternity man is drawn to his *alma mater* in a way that a "barb" can't understand.

Standing "on the threshold" we can look back and see wherein Pennsylvania Delta has so wonderfully prospered. Founded by men whose high ideals never lowered, their standard has ever been before their successors and in the choosing and securing of men Pennsylvania Delta has been singularly fortunate, those who were well rounded in all things, men who have been able to fill the highest positions in all walks of life. Pennsylvania Delta has ever striven to live up to the principles of the Bond, both in her dealings among her brothers and among her rivals.

Looking ahead, we that are leaving feel no anxiety for the chapter's future. Feeling confident she will ever live up to a fraternity's highest ideal and believing she has an active chapter of brothers worthy to carry on the work. The other fraternities here, crippled by loss of their best men, will make rivals from whom Pennsylvania Delta need have nothing to fear.

During commencement week we cleared the debt on our rooms and made our first installment on our piano. For such a young chapter with its necessarily young alumni and limited roll, to expend $500.00 in "our rooms" and assume the payment of a piano for same, is certainly a fine exhibition of loyalty.

Commencement week was of interest this year as usual to all Phis, though for some reason there was not as much general enthusiasm in the college as usual.

The Baccalaureate sermon was preached by the President, D. H. Wheeler, Ph. D. It was a scholarly and thoughtful production, the text being found in 1 Cor., 1: 27–28.

In the evening Dr. Luccock, of Erie, addressed the College Y. M. C. A. His text was, "We shall see what shall become of his dreams." Gen., 37: 20.

Monday evening occurred the annual contest between the two literary societies. Bro. R. W. Elliott was Philo's debator.

Tuesday evening the opposition side of the Senior class held their Class day exercises. In our position, we could scarcely criticise it, yet as a whole, it was not up to the standard set by preceding classes. Wednesday evening the Conservatory of Music gave its annual concert. Bro. Harry Espy was one of the soloists. Thursday morning was commencement. Last year the Faculty inaugurated a new order of exercises, namely, select-

ing ten for highest scholarship throughout their college course, and letting them represent the class as its speakers on commencement day. This is probably one of the highest honors of the college and is Allegheny's nearest approach to an honor system. We were fortunate as usual, having the same number as last year, Bros. Robt. W. Elliott and F. Gurney Stubbs. This year's class is the largest ever graduated from the college, numbering forty-two.

In the evening Dr. Wheeler gave the usual President's Levee, in his new and elegant home. Among the degrees conferred this year Bros. Will Bignell and C. L. Smith of the class of '87 and C. P. Lynch '86, received A. M.

At the annual meeting of the Board of Trustees, the faculty was strengthened by the additon of Prof. W. L. Dutton, in the chair of Civil Engineering and Prof. J. S. Gibson, in the department of Science and Natural History. Bro. Clarence Ross, '91, has been appointed instructor in first year Latin.

The college is stronger than ever, both in numbers and efficiency of its corps of teachers and its resources and accomodations for students and next year promises to be more successful than ever.

On Wednesday evening after the concert the fraternity banquets were held. Pennsylvania Delta held hers at the New Colt House, after which we all repaired to our "rooms" across the street. It was not till the morning light was breaking that we finished our toasts and enjoyment of true Phi spirit and enthusiasm. These banquet nights are looked forward to through the whole year and truly no chapter has a greater flow of true brotherly love than has Pennsylvania Delta. On that occasion the following toasts were responded to, W. A. Elliott, '89, as toastmaster: Our Eleventh Anniversary, H. B. Espy, '90; Our National Brotherhood, E. P. Couse, '89; Our Absent Brothers, E. H. Pond, '83; Our Sisters—and Other Girls, Will Bignell, '87; Phis in Politics, W. W. Johnson, '90; The Glory of Our Fraternity, C. L. Smith, '87; Old Allegheny, J. A. Parsons, '88; On the Threshold, F. G. Stubbs, '90; Our Men of '90, C. F. Ross, '91; Sword and Shield, W. G. Warner, '81; Pan-Hellenism, W. H. Stenger, '90; Bones, W. J. Bell, '88; Promises, R. W. Elliott, '90; Auf Wiedersehen, W. W. Case, '84.

We lose the following brothers by graduation, W. H. Stenger, Harry B. Espy, W. W. Johnson, C. E. Newkirk, Robt. W. Elliott and F. G. Stubbs. The chapter will miss them and yet there are always those who follow after, fully able to carry on the standard. Great things will be looked for from those that are left and the chapter will continue to prosper. Allow me here to thank the chapter for their kindness towards me, in sending me as their delegate to Bloomington last fall and in choosing me as

reporter. I appreciate the honor fully and have enjoyed the duties envolved in them.

May prosperity ever attend Phi Delta Theta and Pennsylvania Delta. I will ever remain,

Yours in the Bond,

F. GURNEY STUBBS.

Meadville, July 26, 1890.

PENNSYLVANIA EPSILON, DICKINSON COLLEGE.

Commencement week of '90 was an eventful one for Dickinson College. The Law School was incorporated; a chair of the English Bible and Semitic Languages established; many improvements and enlargements provided for; and some much-needed changes made in the faculty. Altogether it was an epoch in the later history of Dickinson. So also was it a pleasant week for *Φ Δ Θ*. We had with us Bros. Heisse, Rue, McKensie, of '86; Clendenning, Stein, Smith, Porter, Yeager, of '87; Mordof and Whiting of '89, who showed by word and action that love of fraternity was strong within them. We were very sorry to bid farewell to Bros. Glover, Turpin and Urner of '90, although we can confidently predict that the same success which attended them in college, will continue with them in life, and our best wishes will ever follow them. Bro. Glover is pastor of the Methodist Church at Riverside, Pa.; Bro. Turpin is Prof. of Mathematics and Physics at the Boys' Preparatory School, Brooklyn. N. Y.; Bro. Urner is reading law in the office of his father, Hon. Milton Urner, Frederick, Md. The college loses its best orator in Bro. Urner, and its best athlete in Bro. Turpin. Bro. Turpin won first prize on Field-day for all round athletics, and in the inter-collegiate sports at Philadelphia took two gold medals, winning the 100 and 220 yards dashes. On class-day Bro. Glover was Chaplain, Bro. Turpin delivered the Address to Undergraduates, and Bro. Urner the Prophecy. The latter, who for four years had ranked second in class, was one of four admitted to *Φ B K*.

We are represented on the *Dickinsonian* by Bros. Moore and Neal, and on the *Microcosm*, the Junior annual, by Bros. Stephens and Roberts. Bro. Moore is President of the Union Philosophical Society, Bro. Fasick is Vice-President of college Y. M. C. A. and their delegate to Northfield, Bro. Stephens is Treasurer of both athletic committees.

On Commencement Day Bro. Moore was awarded the Foster prize of $25.00 for excellence in composition, and Bro. Roberts was tied for the Sharp Greek prize of $25, and the McDaniel scholarship prize of $100.00.

Thus we have won many honors of which we are justly proud, but the chief reason for self-gratulation is the increase of fraternal spirit among us. All discordant interests and opposing aims, all cross purposes and contrary designs have been coalesced into one—the success of the Fraternity. This is why we recall the past with so much pleasure and advance upon the future with such confidence in the attainment of our sole object, the highest success of Φ Δ Θ.

W. W. LANDIS.

Carlisle, Aug. 9, 1890.

PENNSYLVANIA ZETA, UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA.

Having missed a letter in the June SCROLL, Pennsylvania Zeta will make this letter answer for two. In April the term of the Medical School ended, and with it, much to our sorrow, the college lives of two of our best men, Bros. Oscar M. Richards and John W. Shaw; both graduated with high standing. Although they are gone, we have yet one consolation: they still remain in this city. Bro. Richards is to become resident physician of the Presbyterian Hospital, while Bro. Shaw now holds the same position at St. Joseph's Hospital.

One event of May still leaves an impression upon our minds, and that was the annual banquet of Pa. Beta Alumni and Pa. Zeta; it was given at Boothby's on the evening of May 17th, and although many of us were tired from participating in the State Inter-Collegiate sports of the afternoon, it did not interfere with our appetites or spirits. Thirty-seven enthusiastic Phis surrounded the festive board, and did full justice to the well arranged menu, after which the evening was spent as usual, in speech making and singing.

Bro. McCluney Radcliffe, M. D., presided, and called for the following toasts, which were responded to: OUR FRATERNITY, Bro. J. K. Horner; Pennsylvania Beta Alumni, Bro. C. A. Oliver, M. D.; Pennsylvania Zeta, Bro. B. B. Lathbury; Visiting Brethren, Bro. G. A. Harvey; The Law, Bro. Wm. F. Smalley; Our Member from Japan, Bro. Seyichiro Terashima; The Ladies, Bro. H. Delaplaine; The Billie Goat, Bro. E. A. Shumway; The Bond, Bro. M. G. Tull, M. D. Remarks were also made by Bros. Otto, Potts, Fehnel, Haden and West. Our guests were Bros. Blickle, Curtis, DuBois, Knox, Patterson and Straub of Pa. Eta, Bros. Fox and Harvey of Pa. Alpha, and Bro. Turpin of Pa. Epsilon. Of the Alumni Chapter, Bros. R. Walter Head, J. K. Horner, McCluney Radcliffe, M. D., Wm. F. Smalley, Esq., and M. G. Tull, M. D., of Pa. Alpha; Bros. H. C. Deaver, M. D., C. A. Oliver, M. D., Jos. Otto, M. D.,

C. S. Potts, M. D., G. O. Ring, M. D., and P. N. K. Schwenk, M. D., of Pa. Zeta, and Bro. M. H. Fehnel of Pa. Eta.

Passing on to June, we come to the examinations and the ending of the college year. We had but one man in the college department to graduate, Bro. B. B. Lathbury; he will still be with us, however, as a post senior year is required to complete his course. In the examinations we held our own, getting three honors as our share, but we felt much disappointed as two of our men just missed honors, being first and second of the undistinguished class.

Since my last letter a new fraternity has entered Pennsylvania, this time among the fair sex. Kappa Kappa Gamma makes her bow. Phi Gamma Delta has been petitioned for a charter here, by a few students. It is rumored the charter has been granted; but as to this, one applicant denies it, while another affirms it.

Our prospects for the fall are of the brightest. We have three exceptionally fine men in view. No less than four fraternities are after them. Our chances are very good; we will get one, and are making a strong bid for the other two.

J. MORTIMER WEST, JR.

Philadelphia, Aug. 1st, 1890.

PENNSYLVANIA ETA, LEHIGH UNIVERSITY.

The college year just passed has been a memorable one to Pennsylvania Eta. We were greatly weakened a year ago, by the graduation of '89, and in the September which followed their commencement we mustered but 8 active members. Before the year was very far advanced, by careful, steady "rushing" we exactly doubled our number. Bro. Blickle, '92, who has been at home for almost a year, joined us in the latter part of last term so that our chapter then had 17 names on its roll.

By graduation this year, we lost Bros. T. A. Straub, E. H. Beazell and C. C. Tomkinson; three men of whom we are justly proud. Bro. Patterson, '92, also left college, so that our total loss will be 4, leaving us with thirteen active members to begin the present year.

During the past year the chapter maintained its prestige in athletics as of old and nearly all the important offices were held by members of Penn. Eta. At the spring sport, held with Lafayette, Bros. Coates, Straub, Patterson and Curtis took first prizes. Bros. Mosman and Straub represented us on the Lacrosse team and materially aided Lehigh in securing the Inter-collegiate championship. Bro. Coates, for the first time in Lehigh's history, managed a successful base ball team and it is largely due to his efforts that we can point to a long string of base ball victories. He has been re-elected manager for the season of '91.

At the commencement exercises Bro. Coates had an oration on the Antagonism of Science and Religion. There were numerous other honors taken by the chapter during the year; Bro. Eavenson was elected a member of the Honorary Society of Tau Beta Pi. Bros. Miller and Knox were elected to the editorial board of the *Lehigh Burr*. Bro. Miller was also elected President of the Christian Association, a society that embraces a large proportion of the student body and has become quite a factor in college life. Bro. DuBois was elected to the *Epitome* board and on committees and class offices, in general Eta has been well represented.

The most pleasant feature of the whole commencement week was a reception given at the chapter house on Wednesday, June 18th. About 40 of our friends and relatives were present and with singing, dancing and supper the evening was passed in a delightfully social and pleasant way.

The year that is just opening seems to be a promising one. We did some "rushing" in a quiet way at the June entrance examination and during the vacation, and hope to announce the names of several new brothers before September is very far advanced. Pennsylvania Eta wishes a successful year to her sister chapters.

ALBAN EAVENSON.

Bethlehem, Aug. 7, 1890.

GAMMA PROVINCE.

ALABAMA BETA, ALABAMA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE.

During the last session of the A. & M. College, our boys added eleven new members to their roll. We did not capture as many of the honors as usual this time, but enough to demonstrate the fact that we were not behind in the least. We had four graduates this year, and two out of this number were sick—one three months, the other six weeks. This greatly interfered with their work, and consequently with their distinctions.

Brother J. F. Wilkinson, one of the other two, was awarded first honor in his course, and a speaker's place, Commencement. Brother L. E. Baker was awarded the medal for the best drilled cadet in his company. Several of the lower class men were distinguished in their studies—something which we are always glad to see. The happy meetings were closed with the usual banquet.

The boys are all jolly fellows, and stand high in social and literary circles. Our next session begins in two weeks and a half—on the 10th of September—and with the very bright prospect before us, we are encouraged to assemble in due time, ready to do battle for the *grand cause*. We do not know just how

many of the boys will return, but think, however, not more than three or four will be absent. Bro. J. F. Wilkinson has been appointed to an assistant's place in the State Chemical Laboratory of the A. & M. C.

With best wishes for all Phis. Fraternally,

Auburn, Ala., Aug. 23, '90. ROLLEY W. GREEN.

DELTA PROVINCE.

LOUISIANA ALPHA, TULANE UNIVERSITY.

We all know how hard it is for one to write about one's self, and it would hardly be fair to expect our worthy reporter to give an account of his own Commencement. By the graduation, therefore of Brother C. H. Tebault, Jr., the honor of writing a chapter letter for the SCROLL has fallen to the lot of your humble servant.

Beginning with the principal events, the first thing that attracts our attention is the initiation of Bro. Brady on the evening of Friday, June 13th. Bro. Edwin Brady graduated from the High School with honors, and represented us at the High School Commencement, captivating his audience with "The Story of the Webb." He was also one of the two contestants for the honorary scholarship awarded to the best student of the Sub Freshman class, pushing his work hard and losing the scholarship by only three points.

Following this, is the College Commencement, which took place June 19th. Here we were represented by Brother C. H. Tebault, Jr., who delivered an address. The orator of the evening, Capt. Jack of Nachitoches, epigramatically gave Tulane's present status by saying, "She is an infant in years but a lion in strength."

In the description of "Louisiana Alpha's Reception" given in the SCROLL, owing to an oversight of the Reporter, the name of H. P. Jones did not appear. Bro. Jones was at our party, performing the duties of a true and loyal Phi.

Delta Province is now without a President, H. T. Cottam, Jr., having sailed for Europe, where he will spend some time amid the many enjoyments of the European capitals.

Although we will lose several of our men for next year, mostly by their going off to other schools, yet our prospects are very bright, and Louisiana Alpha bids fair to have a fine and prosperous chapter.

I must not close without saying a word about Bro. Merrick, whose household is blessed with sunshine and joy by the arrival of a little girl.

New Orleans, July 28, 1890. H. R. DENIS.

EPSILON PROVINCE.

OHIO ALPHA, MIAMI UNIVERSITY.

The commencement exercises attending the graduation of the class of '90 were better in every way than those of '89 with the one exception that the established class night was omitted, the class not caring to withstand the part sure to have been taken by '91, 2 and 3; however the night was not wholly overlooked and perhaps the impromptu toasts were more enjoyed than the chapel roasts.

The Baccalaureate sermon was delivered in the University chapel, Sunday, June 15th, by the Rev. Dr. E. D. Morris, of Lane Seminary, Cincinnati. He placed the character of Solomon before the class as a fit example to be followed by those who would make a success of life.

On Wednesday afternoon the Annual Meeting of the Alumni Association was held in the chapel and after the disposition of the regular business, the orator of the day, Hon. Charles H. Fisk, of Kentucky, was introduced. Following the oration the association adjourned to the residence of Bro. Palmer W. Smith, where the banquet was served.

On Wednesday evening Hon. Geo. R. Wendling addressed the literary societies, delivering his oration, "Saul of Tarsus," after which the graduating exercises were held in the Literary Halls, Erodelphian having three Seniors and Miama Union, five.

Commencement day came on the 19th. It was a typical June day and none better could have been desired. The exercises, according to the time honored custom, were held in the grove, where under the old trees nine men were gathered together for the last time as undergraduates. Of these, five were Betas and three Dekes, Phi Delta Theta having no member in the Class of '90. In honors Beta Theta Pi received 1st and 3d and Delta Kappa Epsilon 2d.

After the commencement exercises the corner stone of the new Science Hall was laid, Gov. Campbell, of Ohio, taking part in the ceremony. At the annual meeting of the Board of Trustees, a check for $15,500 was received from Senator Calvin S. Brice, as the promised duplication of the State appropriation.

It is with pleasure that we introduce to you our new Brother, Stanton H. Fox, '94, who was initiated on the evening of June 7th. His experience with "spikers" was rather varied, but in the fullness of time he joined his first love, and has already shown himself a worthy Phi.

During the commencement week we received visits from several of our alumni, among these was one from Jeremiah Oldfather, '69, a missionary at Fabreez, Persia.

It will not be amiss to chronicle here the death of Dr. R. H. Bishop, the memory of whom is dear to every member of Ohio Alpha, as well as every alumnus and student of Miami. His father was the first President of Miami and from that time until the time of his death, July 5th, he had been intimately connected with the University as student, professor or officer, and had earned for himself the name of "the educator of statesmen."

WALTER C. HARRIS.

Oxford, Aug. 7, 1890.

OHIO EPSILON, BUCHTEL COLLEGE.

With the graduating exercises of June 26, Buchtel College closed a very successful year. The attendance has been considerably larger than on preceding years, and the outlook for a prosperous future is very bright. Ohio Epsilon, though she has had but two accessions to her ranks during the past year, has enjoyed unlimited prosperity.

The most enjoyable event of Commencement week was the $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$ ball and banquet at the K. of P. Hall and Hotel Buchtel. A large number of the alumni attended, and helped to make the occasion memorable. Dancing was indulged in from 9 to 12, and the banquet followed at the Buchtel. A short program of toasts, with Bro. F. S. Pixley, '87, as toast-master, was carried out as follows: Phi Spirit, H. H. Henry, '87; Phi Boys at the Bar, J. D. Pardee, '86; Our Chapter Home, L. F. Lybarger, '92; $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$ and its Future, A. A. Stearns, '79.

On the evening of June 21st we initiated into the mysteries of Phi Delta Theta, S. Emerson Findley, '94. A dozen alumni, who showed that they had not forgotten how to "bounce a barb," assisted at the initiation.

In the Ashton Prize Declamation Contest, held in the Crouse Gymnasium on Monday evening, June 23, Bro. L. F. Lybarger bore off first honors in the Sophomore class.

We were represented on the Commencement Program by Bro. H. D. Smith, with an oration on "Gladstone." Bro. W. H. Van Orman was unable to complete his course on account of sickness, but will make up the work later and receive his diploma. The loss of these two ardent workers for the cause of Phi Delta Theta will be keenly felt by the chapter, but with ten men to start on in the fall term, we shall endeavor to carry the banner of the Fraternity to the front.

E. L. FINDLEY.

Akron, August 16, 1890.

INDIANA ALPHA, INDIANA UNIVERSITY.

The heated vacation term is now at hand in full force, and although letter writing to the SCROLL is at all times a pleasure, it is more especially such when one is overcome with the monotony of a summer vacation. And I therefore gladly sieze this opportunity of letting all loyal Phis know what of interest to them has taken place at Indiana University since the last issue of the SCROLL.

One morning in April the citizens of Bloomington and the faculty and students of Indiana University were shocked by the appearance at their doors of a dirty "bogus." Ordinarily students are not shocked by such a sheet, but this was so exceptionally vulgar in its tone that it roused a storm of indignation. Inside of twenty-four hours a fund of three hundred dollars was raised for the purpose of hunting out the perpetrators. The *denouement* came after college was closed, but while the commencement exercises were yet being held. After careful investigation, the faculty implicated seven men, every one of whom has made a full confession as to his part in the affiair. As a result of the inquiry, the faculty have expelled four students and indefinitely suspended three.

But now as to matters pertaining more particularly to the Phi world. On Thursday, June 6, we enjoyed for a few hours the company of Bro. E. J. Edwards (Illinois Zeta, '74), who resides at Minneapolis, Minn. Bro. Edwards is a very genial gentleman, and delighted our hearts by the way he hunted the Phis up. He did not stop until he had found us.

As usual, Phi Delta Theta had more prominent men in attendance upon the commencement exercises than any other one fraternity. We were honored with the presence of Judge B. K. Elliott (Ohio Alpha, '52); Judge Banta, '55; Dr. Jos. S. Jenckes, '56, and Judge Mitchell, '58. Besides these older members of the fraternity, there were present Prof. Griffith, '85; James L. Mitchell, '89; and E. A. Bonham, Indiana Delta, '79.

On the evening of June 9, Judge Elliott delivered an address to the students in Law, on "The Advocate." After the address an informal reception to the Phi visitors was given at our hall. At eleven o'clock the older members withdrew, and the younger set held full sway until early morn.

We lost by graduation three men, Bro. Ruoff, Bro. Cravens and Bro. Wellman. The degree of Master of Arts was conferred upon Bro. Griffiths and Bro. Lyons, '89. Bro. Lyons has been re-elected instructor in Chemistry for the ensuing year, at an increased salary.

The outlook for the college was never brighter. The elegant new library building will be ready for use in the fall. Professor

Jenks, who was invited to teach at Ann Arbor next year, has decided to remain with I. U. Prof. McCabe has been elected to a chair at Byrn Mawr, and Prof. Matzky, of Bowdoin College, will fill the chair of Germanic Languages and Literature. A new chair, that of American History, has been established, and will be occupied by Prof. Woodburn (M. A., Johns Hopkins, '90).

The prospects of Indiana Alpha of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ are exceedingly good. Bro. Tyner, who has not been in college since the winter term of '88–'89, will be with us this fall, and we expect several affiliations. Indiana Alpha's word is "Salve" to every loyal Phi who may visit Bloomington.

Confident that the SCROLL will continue its prosperous career, I am, yours in the bond,

RALPH BAMBERGER.

Bloomington, July 3, 1890.

INDIANA BETA, WABASH COLLEGE.

As the close of the summer vacation approaches, and we again begin to think of taking up the college work which for three months has been laid aside, not the last thing which commands our attention is the Fraternity, its condition, prospects, etc., and what we are to do to furthur its interests. Indiana Beta opens with better prospects than it has ever had, at least to the knowledge of its present members. Last Commencement robbed us of no one, and we enter the race with the same number of men with which we closed the year's work, so that if our spiking efforts are crowned with reasonable success, we will be in splendid condition. Last Commencement was the "biggest" day which Wabash has seen for some years; she graduated the largest class which has ever left her maternal portals.

The old styled Commencement day has been abolished: no longer is the public compelled to sit for hours while the graduate wrights the public wrongs, eulogizes over dead heroes, uncrowned kings, &c., &c., but now the audience gets some orator from abroad.

Rev. John H. Barrows, D. D., of Chicago, delivered a most masterly discourse upon "The Truth and Comfort of Christian Theism," as the Commencement Oration to the class of '90.

Tuesday before Commencement witnessed the laying of the corner stone of "Yandes Library Hall." President Tuttle went through the form of mixing and spreading the mortar, and made a short but touching address, in which he made a concise review of the sixty years' work which the college has effected. Hon. John M. Butler, one of Wabash's honored Alumni, delivered the Oration of the day. The *Ouiatenon*, published by the class of '91 reflects much credit upon the editors: Bros. Little

and McNutt represented Phi Delta Theta upon the Annual board. The Annual is much of an improvement on last year's effort. It shows Phi Delta Theta represented on the base and foot-ball fields, the tennis court, glee club, literary societies, etc.

In the Junior class, Bro. Little is Orator; in Sophomore, Bro. Thomson is Secretary, while in '93, Bro. Oliver is Vice President; Crozier, Secretary and Wilson, Poet.

Bro. McNutt took the standing broad jumps on Field day, and Bro. Martin succeeded in tossing the hammer the farthest both at the Wabash and the State Field days.

If the Fates are at all favorable—and they have been very kind of late—we hope to be able to report the names of some good men from the '94 delegation. It is needless to state that to any and all Phis passing our way the hearth stone is ever warm.

ROB'T H. CROZIER.

Crawfordsville, July 31st, 1890.

INDIANA GAMMA, BUTLER UNIVERSITY.

In the last twelve months Butler has made rapid forward strides and bids fair to make still further advancement. A handsome building costing $20,000 has been erected for the preparatory school and been christened "Burgess Hall," in honor of ex-president O. A. Burgess, to whose efforts so much of Butler's success is due. A music department has been added, with a corps of instructors from the best music schools of Europe. Extensive advertising has been resorted to, an agent has been put in the field, and our prospects are brightening.

During the forward march the Phis have ever been in the van. In the oratorical contest last spring, Bro. Matthews took second place, and in the Sophomore essay contest Bro. Carr and Bowell took first and second places respectively. Bro. Carr and Matthews were also elected on the staff of the *Butler Collegian*, Bro. Carr being editor-in-chief. We lost three excellent men by graduation—Bros. Davis, Green and Noble. Bro. Davis has since been elected principal of the High School here.

We begin work this year with thirteen men, and by the time this goes to press, Bro. W. G. McColley, '91, of Indiana Delta, will have affiliated with us, increasing our number to fourteen. Bro. A. A. Williams, '92, who has been teaching for some years, has again entered school. Bro. Geo. B. Davis, '92, has been compelled to stay out this year, but means to re-enter next year and finish with '93. Bro. Matthews was called home Monday by the death of a sister. We extend to Bro. Matthews our deepest and most sincere sympathy.

R. F. DAVIDSON.

Irvington, Sept. 10, 1890.

ZETA PROVINCE.

MISSOURI BETA, WESTMIMSTER COLLEGE.

The fifth of June closed one of the most successful years in the history of our Fraternity in this college and we are justly proud of our record. We began the year with fixed plans and purposes, and we are glad to say we have failed in none; closing the year without enemies and debts, and with a crown of victory. Three of our number graduated: C. A. McPheeters, R. G. Keller and George Miller. Our honors this year have been numerous. McPheeters won the valedictory, was speaker February 22d, elected representative on Inter-Collegiate Oratorical Contest, and was President of the Senior Class. George Miller won the Inter-Society contest, won the Primary, and represented this college in the State contest. He was class speaker at Commencement, President of the Athletic Association, and won the 100 yards and 50 yards races on Field Day. A. W. Bush won the Mathematics prize. J. Harry Atkinson won the Scholarship prize. F. M. Sallee was June speaker. These honors constitute the best and highest in college. Missouri Beta was so lost in conquest that all thought best to dispense with the annual banquet, much to the disappointment of the sisterhood.

Bro. Hinitt, '89, was considered the finest student in McCormick Theological Seminary the last year. A prominent gentleman pronounces Bro. S. Edward Young, '86, of Asbury Park, N. J., "The rising Talmadge."

Our chapter will likely open with six or seven members and we hope for another successful year.

F. M. SALLEE.

Fulton, Mo., Aug. 20, 1890.

IOWA ALPHA, IOWA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

Although your reporter now wears the high alumnal collar and hears the sweet lullaby of *Alma Mater*, yet almost instinctively he reaches for the reportorial pen to do service for Iowa Alpha. As the chapter has not named his successor the office remains incumbent, and it will not be assuming upon the duty of another if he furnishes a brief commencement report and letter for the October number of the SCROLL.

June 19, 1890, the Iowa Wesleyan University closed its thirty-fifth year. The exercises of commencement week, although of unusual length, were well attended and appreciated. The places of honor were certainly most freely bestowed upon Iowa Alpha, for out of eight public entertainments, seventeen positions were held by Phi Delta Theta. Commencement Day three Phis took their Bachelor degrees, two of Arts and one of Science.

After the graduating exercises, Dr. J. T. McFarland, President of the University, announced the name of the successful contestants for the Crane Greek and Latin Prizes. What Phi Delta heart did not beat a little faster when it was declared that for best scholarship in Greek during the Freshman year, one of prizes was won by Bro. George Moore, and the other for best scholarship in Latin during the Sophomore year by Bro. Joseph Beers. And again when second honors in Latin were credited to Bro. Walter Brenholtz. It is just worth while mentioning the fact that six out of eight of these prizes for four consecutive years have been won by Iowa Alpha.

Among the commencement visitors we were glad to greet again Brothers La Monte Cowles, '79, Jay Kirkendall, '88, Ed H. Scott, '89, and Ed F. Wehrle, '91.

The chapter rejoices in the acquaintance and annual visits of Dr. A. W. Ringland, one of the rising divines of the Presbyterian Church, now located in Duluth, Minn. He is a member of Kentucky Alpha, and his love and enthusiasm for Phi Delta Theta have not abated with the flight of years.

To Bro. Sam D. Harsh, formerly of Illinois Zeta, Iowa Alpha wishes to express her sincere thanks for a copy of *The Lombard*, published by the class of 1890 of Lombard University. Typographically and editorially it is a gem, and reflects not only great credit upon the class, but the University as well.

An exquisite calendar in white and blue and gold, the work and gift of Miss Carrie Shammo, a graduate of the Conservatory of Music at Northwestern University, now graces the walls of our "Phi home."

Now in closing, even at this early date, let it be uppermost in the minds of the twelve active and two alumni chapters of Zeta Province, that the second convention of the Province will be held in Mt. Pleasant during the spring vacation of 1891. Let every chapter from Wisconsin to California send its delegate. Iowa Alpha will do her utmost to lessen the expenses. An invitation to be present is most cordially extended the General Council and all the high officials of the Fraternity. Iowa Alpha bids you one and all "welcome."

Yours in *Φι— χεια*,

CLINTON G. CODDINGTON.

Mt. Pleasant, June 27, 1890.

IOWA BETA, IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY.

After a long period of slumbering, the fire of enthusiasm once more burns brightly upon Phi Delta Theta's altar. Iowa Beta Chapter has suddenly annointed itself with the oil of activity and rented new hails in a much better location than the old, which

have been suitably decorated and furnished. The interior finnishing is painted in the characteristic white and blue, and one room, known as the "blue room" is papered in these colors and the chandelier is adorned with white and blue globes.

Iowa Beta Chapter is pleased to announce to the Fraternity the following new names: H. L. Hastings, Law '90 and A. G. Smith, '91; A. H. Brown, '91; W. H. Bremmer, '91; G. W. Stiles, '92; and F. G. Pierce, '92, of the Collegiate Department. The five collegiates were invited by Phi Kappa Psi, but the prestige of Phi Delta Theta's national reputation was too much for them. Bro. Bremner is our infant and is a living witness of the excellence of the new ritual. Brother H. L. Hastings won the tennis tournament for singles Field Day. Brothers Brown, Bremner, Pierce and Smith, who is captain, play in the foot-ball team. Brother Brown is 1st Sergeant of the Battery, Associate Editor of the *Transit*, Secretary of the Engineering Society, and President of the Athletic Association. Brothers Stiles and Pierce are editors upon the Junior Annual Staff. Brother Stiles recently won second prize in the Junior-Sophomore Oratorical contest. Brother Pierce is Secretary of Irving Institute, in which society are six Phis. The chapter is strengthened by the addition of Bro. Ed. F. Wehrle who was formerly a member of Iowa Alpha, but is now attending the University. We recently received a most pleasant call from Brother P. W. Sever, a charter member, who is a graduate of two departments of the University. The State University of Iowa is now in a flourishing condition, having besides its regular income, an appropriation of $125,000 and the gift of a fine park by the city, in which a chemical laboratory costing $50,000, will be erected at once. There is an increase of 110 students over last year. Four fraternities have chaptered here, viz.: Beta Theta Pi, 17; Phi Kappi Psi, 12; Delta Tau Delta, 9; Phi Delta Theta, 12. The relations of the different chapters to each other are very friendly. Iowa Beta claims to have turned over a new leaf and solemnly promises to henceforth always have a letter in the SCROLL.

IRA D. ORTON.

Iowa City, May 26th, 1890.

CALIFORNIA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA.

June 25th closes the college year at Berkeley, a year of progress and prosperity both for the University and for the Fraternity. We lose by graduation this time four of our members, but we have in view some very excellent men who we know are prepared to become the Phis of '94.

Heretofore it has been the custon of California Alpha to hold an annual banquet; but as some of the older alumni seemed to

be frightened by these formal meetings, the chapter decided that this year, instead of a banquet at San Francisco, we should have a reunion at the Chapter House in Berkeley. This reunion took place May 24th, and was a most successful and delightful evening. The meeting was well attended by the alumni, and they all expressed their pleasure in meeting their old college friends without the usual formality. After serving refreshments there was music and the usual toast making. We were particularly pleased to have from Professors Christy and Jones, our brothers in the faculty, a full account of the early history of the Chapter, giving us facts of which most of us were hitherto unaware.

The great jubilee of the Freshman Class, the Bourdon Burial, occurred on June 6th. Although the harmony of the occasion was somewhat broken by the repeated attacks of the Sophs during the progress of the procession to the pyre, the whole undertaking reflected great credit upon Brother Titus, who is the "Bourdon President" of his class.

As usual our Class Day exercises occupied both morning and afternoon, giving opportunity for the usual fraternity lunches and for the usual Phi reception in the evening. Bro. Hewitt did us credit as Orator of the Day. We were pleased to have with us on Class Day Bro. Geo. B. Peck, of Miami, '57.

A few weeks ago the U. C. was taken by storm when twelve young ladies swung out with the colors of *K A θ*. They are the very cream of the co-eds and bid fair to establish their chapter on a strong foundation. Their reception by the Greeks was a cordial one.

The resignation of President Davis has been accepted, to take effect at the beginning of the college year; and it is with great regret that the University loses Lieutenant Harrison, who has been recalled by the War Department.

J. H. GRAY.

Berkeley, June 24, 1890.

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Another prosperous year for California Alpha has rolled around. Four more Phis have been added to our alumni. They are tried men who came to the assistance of the re-established chapter when it was young and struggling for a place among its rivals, and, now that their labors are crowned with success, they will not forget us to whom they have consigned their trust, although they are far away. Bro. Halladay, who was a charter member, has gone to Mexico with a party of civil engineers; Bro. Parker will join a party of surveyors who are going to the Sierra Nevadas; Bro. Hewitt will study law with a prominent law firm in Los Angeles; Bro. Smith has returned to his home in Stockton.

The class of '90 graduated thirty-seven men and eight ladies—more than any previous class except that of '79. The exercises were held in the afternoon instead of in the morning as formerly. Through the kindness of Lieutenant Harrison, the Presidio Band of San Francisco gave an open air concert in the morning in Strawberry Canon on the University grounds. Aside from the usual order of the commencement exercises we had the pleasure of a short address from Mr. Charles Dudley Warner. The students presented Lieut. Harrison, who has been recalled to Washington, with a sword as a token of their regard for him. He has won the esteem of all the students during his four years of service here. Three of the four Phi graduates received commissions. Bro. Parker was commissioned Lieutenant-Colonel, Bro. Smith is the ranking Captain, and Bro. Hewitt First Lieutenant.

The fraternities here do not give lunches on Commencement Day, but on Class Day, which is always the Saturday preceding Commencement. Many of the students go home before Commencement, and most of the others immediatly after, so that it would make it very inconvenient to give a lunch on Commencement Day. The Phis gave their lunch on Class Day, under the trees in the yard of the chapter house. There was plenty of room, and, as the day was fine, all enjoyed themselves very much.

California Alpha is not behind Louisiana Alpha and Indiana Beta in tennis, although we are late in sending word to the SCROLL. We made a court during the Spring vacation in April on our own grounds. It is needless to say that we are very proud of it. The Sigma Chis have a court, and there are two University courts which are almost constantly in use. Tennis is becoming an absorbing game here, in University circles as well as out.

The Chi Phi House was entirely destroyed by fire on the evening of Commencement, June 25th. The boys lost all their private property. If the fire had occurred one day later, most of them would have been gone for the vacation. The house was a large one and well furnished; it was also conveniety located, just off the University grounds, and one block from the Phi Delta Theta House. The Chi Phis will have difficulty in finding another house as suitable.

E. F. GOODYEAR.

Berkeley, July 19, 1890.

TENNESSEE BETA, UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH.

At the beginning of a new term Tennessee Beta sends best wishes to all her sister chapters fn Phi Delta Theta. Here in Sewanee there have been many changes. Our honored Vice Chancellor, the Rev. Telfair Hodgson has resigned and our Chaplain, the Rev. T. F. Gailor has taken his place.

We have enjoyed this summer, visits from three of our correspondent members, Bro. J. H. P. Hodgson, Bro. Larkin Smith and Bro. Sam Jones, 2nd Lieutenant U. S. A. Our Fraternity may pride itself on the fact that a Phi led the graduating class at West Point—Bro. Jadwin of Pennsylvania. We regret to announce the loss of Bro. W. F. Starley, of Tyler, Texas, who has been compelled to return home on account of poor health.

At commencement this year our chapter received the following honors: two certificates fn Latin, one in Metaphysics and two in Chemistry. One B. A. diploma in Mathematics. Bro. Slack was elected Secretary of the Sewanee Base Ball Club.

We have a small chapter this term owing to the fact that it is our principle to know a man thoroughly before making him one of us. One of our brothers made us a present of a handsome combination billiard and pool table.

Last term a pseudo fraternity which had its origin here, the Tau Delta Sigma, died out. Bro. J. B. Wilder has just returned from the annual encampment of the Louisville Legion, National Guard of Kentucky, of which he is first lieutenant. We have been using the new ritual since its publication and are much pleased with it.

E. WILSON 3d.

Sewanee, Sept. 1, 1890.

PERSONALS.

Ohio *A*—S. I. McClelland, '68, is in St. Louis, Mo.

Georgia *B*—Bro. E. S. Kelley, '88, is practicing law in Atlanta.

Nebraska Alpha—Bro. E. O. Lewis, '84, is teaching at Falls City, Neb.

Michigan *B*—Bro. B. K. Canfield, '89, is an art student at Paris, France.

Nebraska Alpha—Bro. E. J. Churchill, '85, is an attorney at Cheyenne, Wyoming.

Iowa *A*—Frederick William Winter, A. B., is practicing medicine in Wymore, Neb.

Iowa *A*—A. M. Linn, M. S., M. D., is in Des Moines, Iowa, engaged in his profession.

Pennsylvania *E*—Bro. H. W. Spangler, '82, is at present practicing law in Denver, Col.

New York *A*—James C. Brownlee, '77, is a physician and surgeon in Kansas City, Mo.

New York *A*—W. A. Schmidt, '90, is with the Remington Arms Co. of Ilion, N. Y.

New York *A*—Irwin S. Devendorf, '89, is in the banking business in St. Johnsville, Vt.

Pennsylvania *B*—Pennsylvania College conferred the degree of Ph. D. on J. B. Fox, '80.

Pennsylvania *B*—H. D. Withers, M. D., '81, is a successful practitioner in Paterson, N. J.

New York *A*—Nelson W. Cady, M. D., '74, is a physician and surgeon in Logansport, Ind.

Ohio *A*—M. D. A. Steen, '66, is pastor of the First Presbyterian Church at Woodbridge, Cal.

New York *A*—Samuel J. Flickinger, '76, is editor of the *Ohio State Journal* of Columbus, Ohio.

Missouri *B*—J. H. Gallaher, '86, is having splendid success as a minister in Gainesville, Texas.

Nebraska *A*—Bro. Elmer O. Gates, '85, is assistant cashier in the First National Bank at Omaha.

Nebraska *A*—Bro. James R. Foree, '86, is engaged in the real estate business at Tekamah, Neb.

Illinois *E*—E. I. Manley, '88 Harvard, is still in the faculty of the State Normal in Bloomington's suburb.

Georgia *B*—Bro. George W. Matthews, '87, is doing good work as a minister of the gospel at Waycross, Ga.

Ohio *B*—Scott Bonham, '82, attended Commencement at O. W. U. and the annual banquet of Ohio Beta.

Vermont *A*—Bros. Gilbert, '89, and Moore, '90, are engaged in the insurance business in Manchester, N. H.

Iowa *A*—Rev. Frank W. Adams, '75, is a member of the Iowa Conference, and is preaching in Wilton, Iowa.

Ohio *A*—J. E. Morey, '67, is a member of the law firm of Morey, Andrews & Morey, of Hamilton, Ohio.

Iowa *A*—F. P. Campbell, M. S., '77, is a prominent lawyer in the young and thrifty town of Broken Bow, Neb.

Nebraska Alpha—Bro. Conway G. McMillan, '85, occupies the chair of Botany at the University of Minnesota.

Ohio *A*—David Swing, '52, is preaching in Chicago. Lecturing and magazine writing occupies much of his time.

Michigan *B*—Bro. O. J. Root, '89, has a good position with the Lansing Iron and Engine Works, Lansing, Mich.

New York *A*—Edmund S. B. Gardner, '75, is engineer for the Dundee Water Power and Land Co. of Passaic, N. J.

New York *A*—Charles A. McAllister, '87, is a draughtsman in the Bureau of Steam Engineering in Washington, D. C.

New York *A*—Albert F. Balch, '77, is cashier and a director of the Marshalltown State Bank of Marshalltown, Iowa.

Ohio *A*—Alston Ellis, '67, prominent in educational circles in Ohio, is superintendent of the Hamilton (Ohio) schools.

Wisconsin *A*—L. J. Pickarts, '87, was obliged to spend part of the winter in Ohio for his health, but is with us again.

Missouri Beta—M. H. Reaser, '87, is now superintendent of the Needmore Mining Co., Oronogo, Jasper County, Mo.

Pennsylvania *E*—Bro. Francis A. Bergstresser, '82, has been very successful as a real estate broker at Chattanooga, Tenn.

New York *A*—Bertis R. Wakeman, '89, enters the College of Physicians and Surgeons in New York City the coming year.

New York *A*—De Villo L. Bennett, '87, is the electrician for the Fire Alarm and Police Telegraph System of Chicago, Ill.

Wisconsin *A*—Milton Updegraff, '84, Government Astronomer in Argentine Republic, spent the first week in May last in Madison.

Pennsylvania, *B*—Rev. H. H. Weber, '82, was married, May 29th, to Miss Emma Christ of Baltimore. Their trip included California.

Missouri *B*—S. E. Young is a very promising minister at Asbury Park, N. J. His success has been remarkable, and we feel very proud of him.

Pennsylvania *B*—J. Wood Shadle, '83, is a stenographer at No. 48 Board of Trade Building, Chicago. His name is not on the list of Chicago alumni.

Missouri *B*—Geo. Walter Gates was recently made secretary of the American Lumber Co., and superintendent of the company's mills at Milner, Ark.

Nebraska *A*—Bro. Roy Codding sailed, January last, for the Soudan, Africa, whither he goes as a missionary under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A.

Ohio *B*—W. H. Slevin, '90, enters Medical College at Toledo this fall, and will also be Physical Director in charge of the Toledo Y. M. C. A. Gymnasium.

Michigan *B*—Bro. R. S. Baker, '89, is in the real estate and loan business at St. Croix Falls, Wis., where fortune is smiling upon him according to his latest word.

Iowa *A*—Winter & Kauffman is the name of an enterprising law firm in Wymore, Neb. Phil. E. Winter is of the class of '78, and Ed. N. Kauffman of '80.

Vermont *A*—Bro. Croft, '89, has recently accepted a call to the First Congregational Church of New Bedford, Mass. This is one of the best fields in New England.

Pennsylvania *E*—Bro. Geo. E. Kleinheim, '82, is a member of the Philadelphia Conference of the M. E. Church, and is now stationed at Portland, Northampton County, Pa.

Georgia *B*—Bro. J. P. McRee has within the last few days taken charge of a splendid school at Camilla, Ga. A growing town and a plucky teacher means a prosperous school.

Vermont *A*—Bro. Hoffnagle, '84, who has been principal of Beeman Academy at New Haven, for the past few years, has just accepted a fine position as teacher in Elizabethtown, N. Y.

Ohio *B*—Harry L. Rownd, '89, was married to one of Columbus' most estimable young ladies in July, and after a trip to Duluth, and by the lakes, is at home with his wife in Columbus.

Wisconsin *A*—R. C. Brown and E. M. Rogers, '89, are together in Columbia Medical College, New York. Bro. Brown visited Bro. Nash, at Spokane Falls, Washington, last summer.

Ohio *B*—A. V. Evans, '90, spent a month at Lakeside, Ohio, as manager of the *Lakeside News*, a daily published during the Encampment. He is now in Columbus, a reporter on the *Evening Post*.

Vermont *A*—Bro. Earl Wilbur, '86, who graduated with honor last June from the Harvard Divinity School, goes to Portland, Oregon, where he is to be the assistant pastor of the Church of Our Father.

Ohio *Z*—A. C. Reeves, '87, for some time Assistant City Engineer at Dayton, Ohio, last spring resigned that position and is with the Engineer Corps of the Norfolk and Western R. R., at Ceredo, West Virginia.

Virginia *B*—Thomas R. Phister, '80, was elected Judge of the County Court of Mason County, Ky., at the recent August election. Bro. Phister has been a prominent member of the Maysville bar ever since he left the University.

Illinois *E*—J. F. Wright, '85, has his attorney's shingle in Bloomington, Ill., and offices with the well-known alumni of the Fraternity, Stevenson and Ewing. The latter will be remembered as the late Assistant Postmaster-General.

Michigan *B*—Bro. Clark Hubbell, '88, has been studying law at Port Huron, but is now taking a course in short-hand at the Inter-Lake Business College, Lansing. He intends entering the law department of the University of Michigan.

Ohio *B*—O. G. Callahan and C. E. Schenck, '90, both go to Drew Theological Seminary, Madison, N. J., this year. It is said that R. H. Callahan, '84, who has been preaching at Zaleski for the past two years, will join them for a year's study.

Iowa *A*—Geo. W. Holland, A. M., '76, is in the banking, loan, and real estate business in Falls City, Neb. That he is still loyal to Iowa Alpha is certainly evident from a recent offer of $100 cash toward the building of a $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$ chapter house in Mt. Pleasant.

Nebraska *A*—Bros. Newcomer and Gerwig, both of '89, are studying for their Master's Degree at the University. In addition to this, Bro. Gerwig is working a good insurance business as manager of the Lincoln Bureau of the Connecticut Mutual Life Co.

Georgia *B*—Sheffield, Ala., is now Bro. J. H. Ardis' ('88) home. He recently moved from Atlanta to that "booming"

little city, and is following his chosen profession—law. A jovial good nature, and plenty of brain and energy, insures his success anywhere.

Ohio *B* and *Z*—J. E. Brown, Ohio *B*, '84, and Robert Eckhardt, Ohio *Z*, '87, attended the Ohio State Tennis Tournament, held in Toledo, the last week in August, and along with W. H. Slevin, of Ohio *B*, a Toledo resident, witnessed the events of the tournament.

Georgia *B*—Comparatively few graduates embark in pedagogism with the fixed purpose of making teaching their life work. Bro. J. E. McRee, '88, is one of the few. He is principal of a flourishing school at Jeffersonville, which has been much improved under his management.

Georgia *B*—Bro. Claude N. Bennett, '88, is on the staff of the *Atlanta Journal*, as traveling agent and correspondent. His success has been very marked, and already he is recognized by his estimable paper as one of its strongest supports.

Illinois *B*—Rev. Dr. H. C. Mabie, '68, has resigned the pastorate of the Central Baptist Church, at Minneapolis, to accept the secretaryship of the Baptist Foreign Missionary Society. His headquarters will hereafter be in Chicago. He left September 1st for a five months' missionary tour of Asia.

Pennsylvania *B*—Rev. H. L. Yarger's ('83) members have shown their appreciation of his services by adding $100 to his salary. He lives under the shadow of the State University at Lawrence, Kan., and says that "the yells of the Sophomores call to mind, every day, the days spent at *Alma Mater*."

Wisconsin *A*—N. G. Iglehart, '60, commissioner of the Chicago Freight Bureau, wrote to us a short time ago, suggesting the following changes in the list of alumni: F. L. Fitzhugh should be Edward L. Fitzhugh, '60; N. S. Iglehart should be N. G. Iglehart, '60; P. T. Starkweather should be Fred. T. Starkweather. We hope there are enough mistakes to keep the alumni writing to us.

Iowa *A*—Jno. W. Palm, A. M., '76, has since his graduation been actively identified with the interests of Mt. Pleasant and Henry County, as superintendent of the county schools, editor of the Mt. Pleasant *Journal*, and treasurer of the county, in which office he is now serving a third term. He has displayed marked official and journalistic ability.

Pennsylvania *B*—Lieut. T. B. Seigle, '86, is succeeding well in business in Charlotte, N. C. The firm of T. L. Seigle & Co. has been changed to T. L. & T. B. Seigle, and Thad. is also an

active member of several other business organizations. He participated in the unveiling of the Lee statue at Richmond, as an officer of the North Carolina troops, and then came to Gettysburg, as he always does on his trips North.

Ohio *Z*—H. A. Kahler, '87, who is manager of the Texas Agency of the Middlesex Loan and Banking Co., with headquarters at Dallas, spent two weeks in a delightful outing on the Maine coast, visiting awhile at Portland, and again at Bar Harbor. In Ohio, he stopped at Columbus, for a ten days' visit with the Editor of the SCROLL and his wife, friends of many years, and through whom he took upon himself the establishment of *Φ Δ Θ* at Ohio State University.

PHI DELTA THETA.

INITIATES OF THE CHAPTER GRAND,

Jed. S. Lane, Vermont Alpha, '86,
Died August 2, 1890,
at
Murphy, N. C.
"In Coelo Quies Est."

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Henry William Hazen, Pennsylvania Gamma, '93.
Died May 27, 1890,
at
Butler, Pa.
"In Coelo Quies Est."

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Orin Gould Callahan, Ohio Beta, '90,
Died September 6, 1890,
at
Miamisburg, Ohio.
"In Coelo Quies Est."

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

FRATERNITIES.

The Wisconsin chapter of Σ Χ took possession of a rented chapter house last spring.

The Φ Γ Δ *Quarterly* for June contains a letter from every active chapter of the fraternity.

Σ Φ has completed a fine chapter house at Hobart College, and will occupy it this coming year.

Group pictures of the *Minnesota*, *Michigan*, *Northwestern* and *Amherst* chapters of Δ Υ are given in the August *Quarterly*.

After many rumors, Δ Γ is now announced as a fact at the University of Kansas, making the fourth ladies' fraternity there.

At Pennsylvania College Φ Γ Δ has the foundation of her lodge laid, and Σ Χ has petitioned for ground on which to build.

Δ Τ Δ and Φ Δ Θ are said to have their eyes on the University of Denver, which has over 400 students this year.—Δ Υ *Quarterly*.

Σ Χ has chartered an Alumni Chapter at New York City, which was organized May 1st. Thirty Sigs sat down to the banquet.

The *Rochester* chapter of Δ Υ is building and the *Cornell* chapter has selected plans for building a chapter house. Both are to be pushed to early completion.

A number of Φ Κ Ψ's are anxious to see their fraternity represented in the University of Texas, and are on the lookout for a favorable opening for a chapter.

Δ Ψ at the University of Mississippi has the only chapter house in the South, aside from those at Sewanee. Φ Δ Θ has building lots at Vanderbilt and Emory.

The Beta Rho chapter of Δ Τ Ω was installed at Marietta College, June 24th, with ten members, two of which were graduates ('90) and four incoming freshmen ('94).

In a Mt. Vernon item in a daily newspaper was a paragraph to the effect that the Θ Δ Χ lodge at Gambier (Kenyon College) was offered for sale under a mortgage foreclosure.

The Psi charge of Θ Δ Χ on May 10th celebrated the completion and occupancy of their new house at Hamilton College,

by a complimentary banquet to the alumni and visiting members of neighboring charges.

The Rutgers chapter Δ Υ was about to purchase a building lot, and were prepared to make the first payment on the $5000 involved, when they received word that the owner had decided to make them a present of the lot.

The Purdue University Chapter of Σ Χ has issued a book of 210 pp., well illustrated, in honor of the fifteenth anniversary of Purdue University. It is in reality a college annual, though another, the *Debris*, was issued by the Senior Class

The chapter house occupied by Χ Φ at Berkeley, California, burned to the ground on the night of commencement, June 25, at the University of California. The members lost nearly all their possessions, very little being saved from the house.

Kappa Sigma placed its Nu chapter in William and Mary college March 1, and its Chi Omega chapter in the University of South Carolina, April 24. An editorial states that efforts are making to establish two more, one north and one south.—*Delta Upsilon Quarterly.*

The statistical table of Δ Υ for the college year 1889–90 shows an active membership of 585, against 544 for the preceding year. Of these 430 expect to return this fall. *Harvard* with 49 members is the largest chapter and *Middlebury* with 10 the smallest. The average is 23. Δ Υ meets Φ Δ Θ in 14 institutions.

Δ Υ established a chapter at the University of Minnesota, on the evening of May 23d. Fifteen men—one law student, eight seniors, four juniors, one sophomore and two freshmen compose the new chapter. The exercises were conducted by eighteen resident and visiting Delta U's, and were followed by a banquet at the West Hotel.

At the convention of the Fourth Province of Σ Χ at Indianapolis, April 11th, the plan for the adoption of a Sigma Chi flag and flower was indorsed; the addition of funeral rites to the Ritual was recommended to the next Biennial Convention; and it was decided to take steps toward building a Province Chapter house at Indianapolis.

The Trinity chapter of Alpha Delta Phi is to build a chapter house. It is to be a three story, Queen Ann, brick structure with wide piazzas; to contain billiard, dining, bath, sitting and smoking rooms, guest chamber, caterer's quarters, library and chapter hall. The Alpha Delts have the largest chapter at Trinity.—*Delta Upsilon Quarterly.*

Our rivals have some excellent men in the class room, but Delta Tau Delta is the only fraternity that keeps out of "prepdom." Phi Delta Theta goes down to the fourth preparatory department for her initiates.—*Hillsdale Correspondence in Rainbow.* We must call upon Michigan Gamma or our Delta Tau Delta friend to explain. Our chapter has reported itself as not initiating preps and its report shows no member below '93.

For the third time we have the pleasure of recording the giving of one thousand dollars for a chapter house fund. This gift is the more remarkable because it comes from a man who is now in college, and is the first large sum ever given by an undergraduate member of the fraternity. The lucky chapter is *Rochester*, and the man who has so nobly come to her aid is James B. Morman, of the class of '90. May this generous action find quick response in the hearts of many Delta Upsilons.—*Delta Upsilon Quarterly.*

The Beta chapter of Phi Alpha Sigma has recently been formed at the University of Pennsylvania by a number of second and third year men. This fraternity, which originated at the Bellevue Hospital, New York, is the only one confined to medical men established in this country. It is proposed to have chapters in all the principal medical schools and thus form a powerful society.—*University Medical Magazine.* Wrong. Nu Sigma Nu, a fraternity confined to medical students and men, has existed in the University of Michigan since 1882.

Our "barb" organization, known by the name of "Elite," continually makes alarming boasts of its success in gradually reducing the strength of the fraternities here to a minimum. But notwithstanding all their trickery and braggadocio, we Phi Gams not only hold our own against them but even are growing stronger. Nor would we wish their antagonism to be removed at present; for the condition of the two other fraternities here, Sigma Chi and Phi Delta Theta, is at such a low ebb that their opposition does not amount to much, and a college fraternity thrives better by having some opposing element with which to vie.—*Illinois Wesleyan University Correspondence in Phi Gamma Delta Quarterly.*

Now that we are in the midst of catalogue making some facts concerning the financial part of the last Psi Upsilon catalogue will have especial interest. As the Psi Upsilon catalogue of 1879 exceeded in scope anything published before that time, so does the issue of 1888 surpass all predecessors. The editor elaborated his work to such an extent that the book cost over $7,000 and the raising of the funds to pay the bill precipitated a crisis in the fraternity. Five thousand dollars of the amount had to be paid

in October, 1888, and to raise this sum the Executive Council levied a tax of $11.56 upon each undergraduate Psi Upsilon. This drew down the storm, and some of the chapters made an attempt to organize in opposition to the assessment, but were unsuccessful, and had to pay their quota. The cost of the catalogue exceeded the receipts from sales by $2,086.84. Two thousand copies were printed.—*Δ Υ Quarterly.*

Michigan has made a radical change in its methods of gaining recruits. Hereafter, instead of temporary committees for each man whose name is presented, we shall have one general committee, which shall take charge of all the rushing. We have, besides the rushing committee, another permanent committee called the "honor" committee, whose duty is to look after the interests of Delta Upsilon in the way of offices, athletics, etc. What do the other chapters think of the idea? * * * The other fraternities in the University are fairly prosperous. Delta Kappa Epsilon has just completed its first year of residence in its fine new lodge. Four other societies expect to build expensive houses in the near future: Chi Psi, Zeta Psi, Sigma Phi and Beta Theta Pi. Delta Upsilon will probably have to rest content with its present quarters for several years to come, but is confident of having a mansion some day which will "scoop the rest."—*University of Michigan Correspondence in Delta Upsilon Quarterly.*

"We have often made inquiries, endeavoring to ascertain any excuse for the existence of Junior societies in Yale, but have never succeeded in obtaining any satisfactory reply. Professor Hadley tells us that when you have a large investment of capital the business must be kept running even if it doesn't pay expenses. We take this to be the case with Psi Upsilon and Delta Kappa Epsilon. If there were no Junior society halls we don't think it would be possible to get the sensible men of the college to establish them on their present footing. In fact they are a failure and we should like to see them abolished or changed into social clubs merely, with commodious quarters always open to members, in the place of the dismal barns now in use. What an inspiring sight is presented every Tuesday night by a crowd of Juniors waiting on and hanging around a few Senior society men with a devotion which is an honor to the manliness of the college, while the Seniors not in Senior societies are neglected and treated almost with rudeness! We hear that the Yale chapter of Delta Kappa Epsilon is in danger of expulsion from the fraternity, but it is not true. A Yale chapter is too good a thing to throw away lightly, even if Yale men do hold the other chapters in contempt. Delta Kappa Epsilon seems rather worse than Psi Upsilon and it is only by some very 'shady' moves that the former could secure any good men in '92."—*From the Yale Horoscope.*

COLLEGES.

The Ohio State University will occupy its fine new chemical laboratory this September.

At commencement, the corner stone of the new Y. M. C. A. building was laid at Dartmouth.

The *Wooster Collegian* and *University Voice* have been combined and will be continued as a weekly.

The Yale campus is to be adorned with a bronze statue of ex-President Woolsey, at a cost of $15,000.

Ohio University at Athens, opened Tuesday, September 9th, with the largest attendance for many years.

Wooster University is working for a $25,000 Y. M. C. A. building, and has raised $6,000 since spring.

E. E. Sparks, Ohio State University, '84, a *X Φ*, has been made Professor of Pedagogy in Pennsylvania State College.

By the re-valuation of the Grand Pacific Hotel site, owned by Northwestern, the university increases its income nearly $43,000.

Denison won first place, with O. S. U. and Wooster tied for second, in the Ohio Inter-collegiate base ball association.

Professor Francis H. Snow, who has charge of the department of Natural History, has been made Chancellor of Kansas University.

Dr. Daniel Ayer, of Brooklyn, who gave Wesleyan University $250,000 last year, has been elected a Trustee, vice John D. Slayback, who declined.

The *Oakland Enquirer* of June 21, contained an account of Univ. of California class-day exercises, with a synopsis of Bro. Leslie R. Hewitt's address.

E. F. Shepard, editor of the New York *Mail and Express*, made the address before the graduating class at the commencement of De Pauw University.

Tulane University has bought the Burnside lot, New Orleans, for $45,000 and will erect thereon the High School (preparatory department of University) Buildings.

Judge J. F. Phillips, of Kentucky Alpha, who was the orator of the Nashville convention, was honored with the degree of LL. D. from Missouri University last commencement.

The Ohio State University conferred the degree LL. D. upon one of Ohio Alpha's sons, and one, by the way, who retains

warm and tangible interest in the chapter, Alston Ellis, of Hamilton, Ohio.

The *Lombard Review* for June contained a synopsis of all commencement orations and full accounts of class-day and other exercises. On field-day, Phis won all the tennis prizes, and sixteen others, making a total of twenty.

The annual report of the President of the Board of Regents of Oregon University, shows an attendance of 273, of whom 185 were in the collegiate department, 25 in law, 18 in medicine, and 45 in music. The President of the University receives a salary of $2,500 and five of the professors $2,000 each.

Work has begun on the new chapel building at Ohio Wesleyan University. It will be erected on the site of Elliott Hall, the oldest building of the college, which has been moved to another part of the grounds. The new building will contain an auditorium seating 2,500, recitation, Y. M. C. A., and literary society rooms.

A GENEROUS GIFT. — A LOUISIANA GENTLEMAN DONATES $20,000 TO THE UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH.—During Bishop Quintard's visit to Nashville the past few days he stated that a Louisiana gentleman has given $20,000 towards a university building at the University of the South at Sewanee. The sum of $40,000 is also at the disposal of the Trustees for new buildings, this sum having been specifically subscribed to this end to Mr. McBee, who has been canvassing the Southern States for the past two years as the agent of the university seeking to raise an endowment fund. It is not yet decided what exact disposition will be made of this $60,000.

On Thursday, April 3d, the corner-stone of the main hall of the university was laid at University Park. The ceremonies were impressively conducted by ex-Governor Evan, President of Board of Trustees. The chief address was delivered by Bro. H. W. Warner, D.D., formerly of Mystic Seven fraternity, of Middletown, Conn. This building is being rapidly constructed and when completed will overlook a pleasant campus of forty acres. We expect to occupy our new quarters some time during the ensuing year, feeling confident that this removal will increase the number of collegiate students and create a greater enthusiasm in all college enterprises.—*Denver Univ. Correspondence of Beta Theta Pi.*

The glory of the victory which Harvard won over Yale on Saturday, May 31st. was sadly dimmed by the shameful conduct of a few Harvard students on Saturday night, when they defaced the statue of John Harvard, the founder of the university, by

covering it with red paint. The statue is of bronze, and was erected on the grounds of Memorial Hall in 1884. The pedestal was also besmeared with red paint. Probably the statue can be cleaned, but it may be necessary to re-place a portion of the granite pedestal. The vandals also defaced the entrance to Memorial Hall by painting in large red letters more than a foot in length, on the sandstone platform in the porch of the hall, "To h—— with Yale." They also besmeared Appleton Chapel, Boylston Hall, Seaver Hall and the library building with the figures "9 to 8" in red paint.—*Beta Theta Pi.*

The action of Harvard overseers in modifying the course of study so that students can obtain their B. A. degree in three years' work, has called forth unlimited comment. Standing, as the institution does, at the front of the American college system, the action can not be without its influence in moulding the policy of other institutions. This innovation, however, has failed to meet with that approval of educators, as have her many others, and the best matured opinion seems to be that the elective and liberal pendulum at Harvard has swung to an extreme. It favors crowding of college work, though the number of required courses has been reduced from eighteen to sixteen. A student can receive his diploma whenever he completes his work, whether it be commencement or not. Columbia has adopted a plan which many think is superior to that of Harvard. The action of both was meant to meet the objection that college men, especially those entering the professions, get to work too late in life. At Columbia the requirements for a diploma remain as before, but any student expecting to enter one of the professional departments, can make a part of his studies elective work while yet in his college course, so that when he gets his B. A. in four years he has shortened his professional course one year. Heretofore a student spent four years for his B. A. and three for his M. D., making seven years. Now he spends altogether six years in taking the two, though if he took either one alone it would be as before—Arts, four years, or Medicines three years. Many consider the Columbia plan the better.

GREEK PRESS.

The April, June and September numbers of the Theta Delta Chi *Shield* make up three-fourths of what promises to be the most successful volume of that magazine, and there is reason to believe that No. 4 will follow the example of the numbers before us. Mr. Clay W. Holmes, of Elmira, N. Y., is the Editor and Publisher. The *Shield* is paying commendable attention to alumni matters, and has in each number given a half tone portrait and an extended sketch of one of the Theta Delta Chi

founders at Union. The numbers average over 120 pages each. Space has been given liberally to exchange and news notes. In the number in which the editor says the SCROLL contained little general news, we noticed fourteen items verbatim from our columns, so we were not without some interest to the *Shield*. There is an interesting discussion going on between the two *Shields*—*θ Δ X* and *Φ K Ψ*—as to which is best entitled to the name, the former thinking herself so entitled from the fact that one issue was made of a journal of that name by *θ Δ X* in 1869. The world is full of *Quarterlies*, *Journals*, *Heralds*, *Posts*, *Advocates*, *Republicans* and *Democrats*. There can be, and there are, two successful *Shields*, each with its own mission. We cannot see how one has pirated upon the other in either badge or name of journal. Outside of Exchange Editors there are few to whom the names of both would be known enough to confuse.

The *Chi Phi Quarterly* for July (just issued) announces the completion of the new catalogue of *Χ Φ*, said to be a very complete volume, and continues its article, "CHI PHI IN THE CIVIL WAR." An account of the "ATLANTA REUNION," May 20, 1890, at which over half a hundred "Kiffies" were assembled, opens the number. Mr. Keith has a reply to Brother W. B. Palmer's open letter in the April SCROLL. The *Quarterly* prints alumni personals immediately after the letter from the chapter to which the members belonged, and these added up, make considerable space given to alumni affairs.

The *Delta Upsilon Quarterly* has become interesting, not only in news but in illustration, and the August number is an art souvenir. The May number pictured Chancellor Snow, of Kansas University, life at Delta U. Camp, Lake George, in three or four phases, Fraternity Houses and badges worn at Hamilton College,—to say nothing of Alumni portraits given in the February number. We credit *θ Δ X* and *Δ Υ* with this innovation in journalism. We are glad to note the several successful chapter house movements by Delta U. chapters. Houses are to be the bulwarks of strength for the chapter of the future, and Phi chapters must follow in the steps of those that are now getting the "end in sight" for these *Φ Δ θ* homes. The introduction of the new Minnesota *Δ Υ* chapter is accompanied by an article on the university illustrated with half tones of all the college buildings and grounds. There is a commendable collection of commencement letters from *Δ Υ* chapters.

The *Rainbow* of *Δ Τ Δ*, published now at Minneapolis, in its last volume contained a number of good things, that had we space, should be clipped. Of its "Vymposiums" the one "FRATERNITY AND MORALITY" was pertinent and good. Its

editorials have been live ones, and the magazine, on the whole, is better managed than it has been for four or five years. Mr. W. L. McClurg, the President of the Fraternity, usurped space in the April number to criticize some SCROLL references to *Δ T Δ*. He was not pleased that Phi correspondents made other than complimentary remarks on rival Delta chapters. He, however, accuses "*Φ Δ Θ* officials" of making "general assertions" that they are unable to substantiate, and calls a halt thereon. He bases this on our answer to a *Rainbow* question in which we said *Δ T Δ* announced the chartering of former *Φ Δ Θ* applicants in the same *Rainbow*. Mr. McClurg does not ask us to prove this until after he says we cannot do so. However our answer stated a concise fact of which the editor of the SCROLL, as S. G. C. at the time, made the record from the application. We reflected nothing on the applicants or the school, and made an answer that savored less of discourtesy than did the question. *Δ T Δ* is trying *Σ X's* plan of sending their magazine to every alumnus whose proper address she has.

Among the many good toings that have appeared in the *Phi Gamma Delta Quarterly*, there is none that we should like more to quote, than "THE LAW OF FRATERNITY" in the June number, and if possible we shall give it to SCROLL readers before the year is out. It is an article that will never be stale.

The *Beta Theta Pi* resumed monthly publication last year, and passed a successful year. The June number presents a fine half tone of the Wooglin chapter house, though we suspected trickery of the artist in putting those Beta flags over the house in the illustration. However they have floated gaily in the breeze 'ere this, and we await the October number for a good account of the Convention.

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We expect to devote space to our exchanges regularly throughout the year, and much more satisfactorily than in this number, where we have been cramped for space.

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The various chapters that have not yet done so should send the name of their newly elected Reporters to us as soon as possible, so that the Directory can be made correct in the December SCROLL.

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Bro. Palmer's effort to publish a book of collections from the SCROLL should meet with aid from every chapter. An average of six books should be found for each chapter in the Fraternity.

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Alumni subscribers in remitting to the SCROLL, or sending a change of address, would please us greatly if they would write at a length that will give us news for a personal note. Items concerning self or any member of the Fraternity are always welcomed, and will receive their due recognition in our columns.

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A SKETCH OF PHI DELTA THETA.

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THE ΦΔΘ Fraternity was founded December 26, 1848, at Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, by Robert Morrison, '49; John McMillan Wilson, '49; Robert Thompson Drake, '50; John Wolfe Lindley, '50; Ardivan Walker Rodgers, '51; and Andrew Watts Rogers, '51. Morrison, who is mainly credited with the authorship of "the Bond of the ΦΔΘ" and the designing of the badge, was valedictorian of his class, and all of the other founders graduated with distinction. ΑΔΦ and ΒΘΠ, which had been established at Miami previous to ΦΔΘ, became inactive there early in 1848, and remained so until 1852. For over two years the new Fraternity had the pick of the University, and a remarkably large number of the members secured during this time were men whose careers have reflected great honor on their Fraternity and their *Alma Mater*.

A spirit of extension seemed to inspire ΦΔΘ from the outset. Before its first anniversary it had been established at Indiana University, and before the expiration of the second year at Centre College. At the beginning of the war the Fraternity had laid the foundation for substantial development, but a check was then placed on its expansion. At the close of the war the only chapters in active existence were those at Indiana University, Centre, Wabash, Butler, and the University of Michigan. The latter, established in 1864, and the chapter established in 1865 at the University of Chicago were the only chapters organized from 1860 to 1868. The work of rebuilding was then commenced almost anew. Since then the rate of extension has been phenomenal, and since 1883 ΦΔΘ has had a larger list of chapters than any other Fraternity.

During the first twenty years of its existence the strength of the Fraternity lay in the West. The chapter at Centre was the only one established in the South before the war that was permanent. In 1869 the Fraternity again turned its attention in a southern direction, and granted a charter for a chapter at Roanoke College, in Virginia. From that State ΦΔΘ was introduced into Georgia, and thence it spread throughout the South.

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The work of entering Eastern institutions for a long time proceeded very slowly. In 1872 a chapter was established at Cornell, and the next year one at Lafayette, from the latter of which originated other Pennsylvania chapters. In 1879 a flank movement was made on the East by way of the University of Vermont. In 1883 a chapter was placed at Union. Not, however, until 1884—when chapters were organized in the College of the City of New York, Colby, Columbia, and Dartmouth—did the Fraternity consider its position in the East secured. The establishment of chapters at Williams in 1886, Amherst in 1888, and Brown in 1889, added much strength to what had already been acquired in New England. The Fraternity is now national in extent, being established in 27 States. The chapter list follows. Before the name of each chapter is given the year of its establishment. If suspended, the year of suspension is given in parenthesis. The figures at the right are the number of members.

1848.	Ohio Alpha, Miami University, Oxford,	180
1849.	Indiana Alpha, Indiana University, Bloomington,	238
1850.	Kentucky Alpha, Centre College, Danville,	268
1851.	Indiana Beta, Wabash College, Crawfordsville,	194
1852.	Ohio Beta Prime, Miami University, Oxford, (1852)	...
1852.	Ohio Gamma Prime, Wittenberg College, Wittenberg (1854)	8
1853.	Texas Alpha Prime, Austin College, Sherman, (1857)	7
1854.	Kentucky Beta, Kentucky Military Institute, Farmdale, (1856)	52
1855.	Kentucky Gamma Prime, Centre College, Danville, (1855)	..
1857.	Kentucky Gamma, Georgetown College, Georgetown, (1876)	10
1857.	Wisconsin Alpha, University of Wisconsin, Madison,	120
1859.	Wisconsin Beta, Lawrence University, Appleton, (1860)	11
1859.	Illinois Alpha, Northwestern University, Evanston,	47
1859.	Indiana Gamma, Butler University, Irvington,	173
1860.	Ohio Beta, Ohio Wesleyan University, Delaware,	132
1860.	Indiana Delta, Franklin College, Franklin,	157
1860.	Indiana Epsilon, Hanover College, Hanover,	105
1864.	Michigan Alpha, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor,	56
1865.	Illinois Beta, University of Chicago, Chicago, (1870)	31
1868.	Indiana Zeta, De Pauw University, Greencastle,	141
1868.	Ohio Gamma, Ohio University, Athens,	111
1869.	Virginia Alpha, Roanoke College, Salem,	120
1869.	Indiana Eta, Indiana State Normal School, Terre Haute, (1872)	13
1870.	Missouri Alpha, Missouri University, Columbia,	170
1871.	Illinois Gamma, Monmouth College, Monmouth, (1884)	72
1871.	Illinois Delta, Knox College, Galesburg,	109

1871. Georgia Alpha Prime, Oglethorpe University, Atlanta, (1873) 12
1871. Georgia Alpha, University of Georgia, Athens, 187
1871. Georgia Beta, Emory College, Oxford, 189
1871. Iowa Alpha, Iowa Wesleyan University, Mt. Pleasant, 112
1872. Georgia Gamma, Mercer University, Macon, 149
1872. Ohio Delta, University of Wooster, Wooster, 140
1872. New York Alpha, Cornell University, Ithaca. 82
1873. Pennsylvania Alpha, Lafayette College, Easton, 126
1873. California Alpha, University of California, Berkeley, 76
1873. Michigan Beta, Michigan State College, Agricultural College, 135
1873. Virginia Beta, University of Virginia, Albemarle County, 125
1874. Virginia Gamma, Randolph Macon College, Ashland, 54
1875. Ohio Epsilon, Buchtel College, Akron, 73
1875. Nebraska Alpha, University of Nebraska, Lincoln, 37
1875. Virginia Delta, Richmond College, Richmond, 67
1875. Pennsylvania Beta, Pennsylvania College, Gettysburg, 85
1875. Pennsylvania Gamma, Washington and Jefferson College, Washington, 94
1876. Tennessee Alpha, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, 192
1876. Missouri Beta Prime, Central College, Fayette, (1878) 10
1877. Mississippi Alpha, University of Mississippi, Oxford, 116
1877. Alabama Alpha, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, 131
1878. Virginia Epsilon, Virginia Military Institute, Lexington, (1889) 39
1878. Texas Alpha, Trinity University, Tehuacana, (1883), 47
1878. Illinois Epsilon, Illinois Wesleyan University, Bloomington, 99
1878. North Carolina Alpha, Trinity College, Durham, (1879) 25
1878. Illinois Zeta, Lombard University, Galesburg, 160
1879. Alabama Beta, Alabama Polytechnic Institute, Auburn, 136
1879. South Carolina Alpha, Wofford College, Spartanburg, (1884) 39
1879. Pennsylvania Delta, Allegheny College, Meadville, 84
1879. Vermont Alpha, University of Vermont, Burlington, 102
1880. Pennsylvania Epsilon, Dickinson College, Carlisle, 66
1880. Missouri Beta, Westminster College, Fulton, 63
1881. Minnesota Alpha, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, (1889) 48
1882. Iowa Beta, State University of Iowa, Iowa City, 62
1882. South Carolina Beta, University of South Carolina, Columbia, 35
1882. Kansas Alpha, University of Kansas, Lawrence, 58
1882. Michigan Gamma, Hillsdale College, Hillsdale, 71

1883. Tennessee Beta, University of the South, Sewanee, 73
1883. Texas Beta, University of Texas, Austin, 57
1883. Ohio Zeta, Ohio State University, Columbus, 52
1883. Pennsylvania Zeta, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, 83
1883. New York Beta, Union College, Schenectady, 41
1884. New York Gamma, College of the City of New York, New York, 54
1884. Maine Alpha, Colby University, Waterville, 57
1884. New York Delta, Columbia College, New York, 33
1884. New Hampshire Alpha, Dartmouth College, Hanover, 67
1885. North Carolina Beta, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, 25
1885. Kentucky Delta, Central University, Richmond, 30
1886. Massachusetts Alpha, Williams College, Williamstown, 39
1886. Texas Gamma, Southwestern University, Georgetown, 29
1887. New York Epsilon, Syracuse University, Syracuse, 61
1887. Virginia Zeta, Washington and Lee University, Lexington, 15
1887. Alabama Gamma, Southern University, Greensboro, 56
1887. Pennsylvania Eta, Lehigh University, Bethlehem, 40
1888. Massachusetts Beta, Amherst College, Amherst, 46
1889. Rhode Island Alpha, Brown University, Providence, 36
1889. Louisiana Alpha, Tulane University of Louisiana, New Orleans, 16

Active chapters, 66; inactive, 17; membership, 6,761.

The Fraternity was organized in Wilson's room, in Washington Hall. Though looked upon with favor by the Miami faculty, the early members thought they could best accomplish their objects by remaining *sub rosa*. Meetings were usually held in the rooms of members, but the members became so numerous that they could not all assemble secretly in any room that was available. Some of them, therefore, petitioned for a charter for a second chapter in Miami, and the petition was granted in April, 1852. At commencement in 1852 the members decided to make the Fraternity's existence publicly known in the University, and began wearing badges openly. The charter of the second chapter was resigned in November, 1852, the reason for a separation no longer existing. The graduation of members in '57 and the failure of others to return, weakened the chapter, and it suspended in the fall. It was revived in the fall of 1865, and flourished until the spring of 1873, when the university closed. The chapter was reorganized in the fall of 1885, a few weeks after the re-opening of the institution, and was the first chapter of any Fraternity on the ground after that event.

Indiana Alpha, which was established in 1849, was for some years without rivals, the chapter of ΒΘΠ which preceded it there having

become inactive. Though not antagonized by the faculty, it, like the parent chapter, chose to remain *sub rosa*, and it did not publicly announce its existence until 1854. During a part of 1871–72 the chapter was reduced to one member. Kentucky Alpha, which was established at Centre College in 1850, became so large that, following the example of the parent chapter, it decided to divide. A charter for a second chapter in the college was granted in February, 1855, but the experiment not being found for the best, the charter was surrendered five months later. The members of the second chapters at Miami and Centre affiliated again with their original chapters. In no other Fraternity has there been an instance of dual chapters in the same institution.

The isolated chapter established in Texas in 1853 suspended in a year or two. It was reorganized in 1857, but remained active only a few months. Wisconsin Alpha was the first chapter established in the University of Wisconsin. It was broken up by its members enlisting in the army, and Illinois Alpha and Indiana Delta were dissolved in the same way. Indiana Delta was re-established in 1869 and Wisconsin Alpha in 1880. An unsuccessful attempt to reorganize Illinois Alpha was made in 1881–82, and the chapter was finally restored in 1887. Ohio Beta suspended the next year after its organization, was revived in 1871, suspended again in 1877, and was revived again two years later. Indiana Epsilon existed probably only a few months after its organization in 1860. It was newly chartered in 1868. Michigan Alpha disbanded in 1869. Attempts to reorganize it in 1878 and 1880 failed, but were successful in 1887. Illinois Beta suspended in 1870, and Chicago University, in which it was established, suspended in 1886. Indiana Zeta returned its charter in 1872, was reorganized for a few months only in 1875, and was re-organized again in 1880. The charter of Indiana Eta was withdrawn in 1872. Georgia Alpha Prime died on account of the closing of Oglethorpe. Ohio Delta disbanded in 1880, and was re-established the following year. New York Alpha suspended in 1876, and was reorganized ten years later. California Alpha suspended in 1877, and was reorganized in 1886. South Carolina Alpha died in 1884. The attendant members of Minnesota Alpha were expelled in 1889 for actions the Fraternity considered treasonable. A chapter was established at Lehigh in 1876, but it disbanded the following year. It was rechartered as Pennsylvania Eta in 1887. In previous publications of the list of chapters it has appeared that a chapter was established at Cumberland University in 1852, and one at Illinois College in 1863, but historical research has shown that charters for such chapters were not granted.

ΦΔΘ has many times come in contact with laws prohibiting fraternities. Indiana Beta was compelled to find means of circumventing a watchful faculty until 1862 or 1863. Kentucky Beta,

established at Kentucky Military Institute in 1854, died in 1856 on account of faculty opposition. A number of members were initiated there between 1882 and 1884, but a renewal of the charter was refused in the latter year. The charter of Kentucky Gamma was withdrawn in the same year of its establishment, because the hostile attitude of the faculty had prevented its success. It was rechartered in 1875, but suspended again for the same reason. Wisconsin Beta and Missouri Beta Prime were never able to overcome faculty opposition, and succumbed. On account of anti-fraternity laws Missouri Alpha was *sub rosa* from 1881 to 1884, Georgia Alpha from 1875 to 1878, and Alabama Beta from 1881 to 1883. Illinois Gamma labored under the disadvantages of faculty opposition seven years, and Texas Alpha two years, before surrendering. Illinois Delta suspended in 1878 on account of anti-fraternity laws. These having been repealed, the chapter was revived in 1880. It suspended again in 1881, and was revived again in 1884. Nebraska Alpha, which was the pioneer chapter of the University of Nebraska, found neither faculty nor students favorable to fraternities, and suspended in 1876. It was revived in 1883. Tennessee Alpha was not fairly organized until 1877. It was the first chapter established at Vanderbilt, and the repeal of the anti-fraternity laws there in 1883 was largely due to its influence. In 1877, shortly after the organization of Alabama Alpha, it was forced to suspend on account of hostile legislation. It was revived *sub rosa* in 1884, and the anti-fraternity laws were repealed in 1885. The charter of Virginia Epsilon was withdrawn in 1889, the enactment of anti-fraternity laws having made its existence impossible. North Carolina Alpha was overpowered by the inhibition placed on fraternities. The chapters that have not been especially mentioned have enjoyed almost uninterrupted prosperity.

Illinois Zeta was formed in 1878 by the initiation of the parent chapter of the Φ Σ League at Lombard, which was the only chapter of the League then in existence. The attendant members of Kentucky Alpha graduated in 1879, but the chapter was continued by the absorption, in the fall, of the Centre Chapter of Δ K, which was the last active chapter of that Fraternity. In 1885 the active members of the W. W. W. or Rainbow Chapter at the University of Texas were initiated in Texas Beta, and Texas Gamma was formed by the initiation of the Southwestern Chapter of W. W. W. Both of these chapters had refused to accept the conditions which had been accepted by the other W. W. W. chapters in joining Δ T Δ. During 1886–7 the Grand Chapter of K Σ K, at Washington and Lee University, withdrew the charter of the chapter at Louisiana State University; then the other active chapters of the Fraternity at Randolph Macon, Richmond, Virginia Military Institute, and Washington and Lee joined Φ Δ Θ, strengthening Virginia Gamma, Virginia Delta, and Virginia Epsilon,

and establishing Virginia Zeta. Before their entrance to Φ Δ Θ, Maine Alpha had existed as "Logania," New York Epsilon as Σ Ψ, Rhode Island Alpha as Σ P, and Louisiana Alpha as "Incognito."

Tennessee Beta in 1884, the next year after its establishment, built the first chapter house ever erected in the South. It is Queen Anne in design, contains two rooms, and cost $1,500. It stands on a large lot leased for a long term of years from the university. Wisconsin Alpha, New York Alpha, California Alpha, Pennsylvania Zeta, Massachusetts Alpha, Pennsylvania Eta, and Massachusetts Beta occupy rented houses which are used for living as well as meeting purposes. Georgia Beta and Tennessee Alpha have lots on which they propose to build, and a number of chapters have started building funds. In 1889 steps were taken looking to the erection at Miami of a fire-proof building, to be used as a lodge by Ohio Alpha, and as a place for preserving the Fraternity's archives.

The General Conventions (since 1873 called National Conventions) of the Fraternity have been held as follows: 1851, Cincinnati, Ohio; 1856, Cincinnati, Ohio; 1857, Danville, Ky.; 1858, Bloomington, Ind.; 1860, Danville, Ky.; 1864, Bloomington, Ind.; 1868, Indianapolis, Ind.; 1869, Chicago, Ill.; 1870, Oxford, Ohio; 1871, Indianapolis, Ind.; 1872, Danville, Ky.; 1873, Athens, Ohio; 1874, Crawfordsville, Ind.; 1875, Danville, Ky.; 1876, Philadelphia, Pa.; 1878, Wooster, Ohio; 1880, Indianapolis, Ind.; 1882, Richmond, Va.; 1884, Nashville, Tenn.; 1886, New York, N. Y.; 1889, Bloomington, Ill. The next will meet in Atlanta, Ga., in 1891. Since 1873 the representation of chapters in the convention has been full, owing to the adoption of a provision for *per capita* assessments on active members to meet the expenses of delegates, whereby each chapter, whether near to or remote from the place of meeting, pays the same amount in proportion to membership.

The primitive plan of government provided that the Grand Alpha, or parent chapter, should have the right to issue charters to other chapters in Ohio, and to the first chapter in each other State, which in turn became the State Grand Chapter, and could charter other chapters in its State. The Grand Alpha, subsequently called the National Grand Chapter, was the Miami Chapter until 1858, the Indiana University Chapter from 1858 to 1860, the Centre Chapter from 1860 to 1868, the Chicago Chapter from 1868 to 1869, the Miami chapter again from 1869 to 1873, the Wooster chapter from 1873 to 1878, the Lafayette chapter from 1878 to 1880. In 1876 the powers of the State Grand Chapters were revoked, and authority to grant charters vested in the National Grand Chapter and an Executive Committee consisting of a Grand Banker, a Secretary, and one member chosen by the National Grand. In 1878 the Executive Committee was enlarged to four members by the addition of a President. In 1880 the National Grand was abolished and the Executive Committee was changed to a

General Council, composed of a President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Historian. At the same time the Fraternity was divided into provinces, each to have a President chosen by the General Council. *Alumni* members have in nearly all instances been selected as members of the Executive Committee and General Council, and as province presidents. The present form of government was a gradual growth, and since its perfection it has worked with excellent results.

The first convention in 1851 authorized the organization of a higher order to be known as "The Society of the ΦΔΘ," in distinction from "The ΦΔΘ Society." The former, composed of *alumni* chosen from the latter, should meet annually with public literary exercises, and should have the power of granting charters and of general supervision. Two annual meetings were held in Oxford, Ohio, where public addresses were made by distinguished members, but after 1853 the plan was abandoned on account of the then scarcity of *alumni*. The first alumni chapter was organized at Franklin, Ind., in 1876, and other alumni chapters have been organized as follows: 1878, Richmond, Va.; 1879, Indianapolis, Ind.; 1880, Louisville, Ky.; 1880, Baltimore, Md.; 1880, Montgomery, Ala.; 1881, Chicago, Ill.; 1881, Nashville, Tenn.; 1881, Galesburg, Ill.; 1881, Cincinnati, Ohio; 1884, Washington, D. C.; 1884, Columbus, Ga.; 1884, Akron, Ohio; 1884, New York, N. Y.; 1885, Kansas City, Mo.; 1885, Minneapolis, Minn.; 1886, San Francisco, Cal.; 1886, Atlanta, Ga.; 1887, Pittsburg, Pa.; 1888, Philadelphia, Pa.; 1888, St. Paul, Minn.; 1888, Los Angeles, Cal.; 1888, Selma, Ala. These chapters have the privilege of sending delegates to the conventions, but not of making initiations. The convention of 1889 fixed the third Wednesday in February as alumni day. On that day each year all alumni chapters are required to meet and discuss topics of Fraternity interest chosen by the General Council.

In 1865 a reunion of Indiana Phis was held in Indianapolis, and in 1878 the Indiana ΦΔΘ Association was formed. It is the oldest State association of any fraternity. Since then the Phis in other States have formed associations, and since 1880 province associations have been organized. These associations meet, some annually and some biennially.

In 1881 the ΦΔΘ Fraternity was incorporated under the State laws of Ohio.

Five editions of the Fraternity catalogue have been issued as follows: 1860, Louisville, Ky., 8vo, pp. 15, 292 names; 1870, Cincinnati, Ohio, 8vo, pp. 22, 556 names; 1872, Cincinnati, Ohio, 8vo, pp. 99, 925 names; 1878, Indianapolis, Ind., 8vo, pp. 172, 1,929 names; 1883, Nashville, Tenn., Royal 8vo, pp. 230, 3,460 names. The first three editions bear the words "sub rosa." The last edition is modeled on the most approved plan, and contains some unique features. A new edition is now in press in New York.

Three editions of the Fraternity song book have been issued as follows: 1876, Marion, Ohio, 8vo, pp. 56, 53 songs; 1882, Indianapolis, Ind., 8vo, pp. 50, 63 songs; 1886, New York, N. Y., Royal 8vo, pp. 64, 108 songs, of which 14 are set to original music. Five pieces of sheet music inscribed to the Fraternity have been published as follows: 1874, San Francisco, Cal., "The Phi Delta Theta March," pp. 7; 1874, Cincinnati, Ohio, "Phi Delta Theta March," pp. 4; 1875, St. Paul, Minn., "Phi Delta Theta March," pp. 3; 1875, Marion, Ohio, "The Onondaga Waltz," pp. 4; 1876 Marion, Ohio, "Grand March of a Hundred Years," pp. 4. Among the other publications of the Fraternity is "A Manual of Phi Delta Theta," 1886, Nashville, Tenn., 16 mo., pp. 56. It is the first book of the kind published by any fraternity. A history of the Fraternity is now in MSS.

The Fraternity journal, called *The Scroll of Phi Delta Theta*, was first issued in January, 1875. During 1875 and 1876 it was a quarterly magazine published at Indianapolis, Ind. During 1876–8 it was suspended. In 1878 it was revived as a monthly paper at Franklin, Ind., and in the same year it was removed to Gettysburg, Pa. In 1880 it was changed to magazine form again. In 1882 it was removed to Maysville, Ky.; in 1883 to Nashville, Tenn.; in 1884 to New York, N. Y.; and in 1889, when it was changed to a bi-monthly, to Columbus, Ohio. The numbers now average 100 pages each. Until 1884 the *Scroll* was a *sub rosa* periodical, but since then any person has been allowed to subscribe. In 1886 a history of the periodical, with complete indexes of the first ten volumes, was published.

The badge, consisting of a shield with a scroll bearing the letters "ΦΔΘ" in the lower part of the field, and a radiated eye in the upper part, was adopted in 1849. In 1866 an addition to it was made, consisting of a sword attached to the shield by a chain. The combination of the two weapons makes the badge even at a distance entirely dissimilar to all others. The Fraternity's coat of arms, adopted at the same time the sword was added to the badge, consists of the badge, a scroll, a plumed helmet with closed visor, two heads of wheat, two serpents, two javelins, and a parchment partially concealed bearing "Φι" on one end and "κεια" on the other, all emblazoned as seen in engravings. In 1871 the colors white and blue were chosen. The open motto, adopted in 1880, is "Εἷς ἀνὴρ, οὐδὲις ἀνήρ," which is liberally interpreted, "We enjoy life by the help and society of others." The banner of the Fraternity, first used in 1884, is triangular in shape, with equal sides, the body being of blue, the dependent sides bordered with white and bearing "Φ" above at the left, "Δ" below, "Θ" above at the right, and "1848" in the middle. In 1890 the province composed of the Ohio, Indiana, and Michigan Chapters adopted the carnation as the flower of the province, and recommended its adoption as the Fraternity flower. Pennsylvania Delta in 1890 originated the following yell, and recom-

mended its adoption by the Fraternity: "Rah! Rah! Rah! Phi-kei-a, Phi Delta Theta, Rah! Rah! Rah!"

Phi Delta Theta's list of distinguished members is not as large as it would have been had not the war interrupted the growth of the Fraternity. The number of initiates in classes previous to '70 is only 492. However, the following incomplete list is long enough to show that many of the members occupy places of great responsibility and trust. All who are named received regular initiation, and not honorary election:

President Benjamin Harrison. Ex Postmaster-general and ex-Secretary of the Interior, W. F. Vilas. Ex First Assistant Postmaster-general, A. E. Stevenson. United States Senators J. C. S. Blackburn, of Kentucky, and J. B. Allen, of Washington. Ex United States Senator, Benjamin Harrison, of Indiana. Congressmen J. A. Anderson, of Kansas, and E. H. Conger, of Iowa. Ex-Congressmen, A. E. Stevenson, of Illinois; T. B. Ward, of Indiana; J. C. Sherwin, of Illinois; A. H. Hamilton, of Indiana; J. C. S. Blackburn, of Kentucky; and J. F. Philips, of Missouri. J. W. Foster, ex-Minister to Mexico, Russia, and Spain. T. J. Morgan, Commissioner of Indian Affairs. J. C. Black, ex-Commissioner of Pensions. Governor A. C. Mellette, of South Dakota. J. W. Fieghan, Speaker Washington House of Representatives. E. H. Conger, ex-Treasurer of Iowa. J. J. Hawkins, Auditor of Arizona. W. E. Spencer, Chief Clerk United States Senate. J. C. Robinson, Journal Clerk United States House of Representatives. M. B. Bailey, Chief of Law Department Pension Bureau.

College Professors: Dr. W. B. Yonce, of Roanoke; J. C. Miller, D. C. Brown, T. M. Iden, and H. T. Miller, of Butler; Dr. J. V. Logan, President, and C. G. Crooks, of Central University; C. C. Brown, of Union; W. F. Vilas, D. E. Spencer, and F. A. Parker, of University of Wisconsin; W. D. Shipman, of Buchtel; Dr. W. T. Stott, President, and C. H. Hall, J. W. Moncrief, D. A. Owen, A. B. Chaffee, and C. E. Goddell, of Franklin; J. T. McFarland, President Iowa Wesleyan; C. C. Cody and Dr. M. Callaway, Jr., of Southwestern; W. A. Keener, of Columbia Law School; D. D. Banta, Dean Indiana University Law School; L. H. Bailey and W. M. Munson, of Cornell; Dr. Waller Deering and John Daniel, of Vanderbilt; V. J. Emery and H. E. Fulmer, of University of Nebraska; C. G. McMillan, of University of Minnesota; L. S. Hurlburt, of University of South Dakota; J. H. Moss, of William and Mary; C. B. Wright, of Middlebury; R. M. Searcy, of University of Virginia; A. S. Hunter, of Hanover; S. B. Christy, A. W. Jackson, and W. C. Jones, of University of California; R. D. Bohannan, of Ohio State University; W. C. McClelland, of Washington and Jefferson; H. Pendleton, of Tufts; R. E. Lyons, of Indiana University; Andrew Stephenson, of Upper Iowa University; W. W. Clendenin, of Missouri University; L. G. Weld and C. S. Magowan, of State University of Iowa; W.

H. Magruder, of Louisiana State University; C. C. Franklin and V. L. Kellogg, of University of Kansas; W. M. Stine, of Ohio University; W. F. Watson, of Furman; W. L. Simpson, A. B. Cordley, N. S. Mayo, and W. F. Durand, of Michigan Agricultural; E. R. Lake, of Oregon Agricultural; C. L. Newman, President North Alabama Agricultural; Howard Sandison, of Indiana State Normal; J. L. Armstrong, of Trinity (N. C.); F. E. Miller, of Carlton (Minn.); Dr. Hinton Callaway, President Marvin (Ky.); G. E. Whitehill, Cornell (Iowa); J. B. Fox, of Newberry (S. C.); Dr. A. I. Hobbs, of Drake (Iowa); C. S. Parmenter, of Baker (Kan.); Dr. Holmes Dysinger, President Carthage (Ill.); Dr. W. H. Wynn, President Midland (Kan.); J. P. McMillan, President Alexander (Ky.); John Montgomery, President Caldwell (Female) College (Ky.); La Fayette Walker, President Oxford (Ohio) Female College; Dr. Alston Ellis, President and Lecturer Ohio Teachers' Association.

CLERGYMEN: Dr. J. M. Worrall and Moulton De Forest, of New York; Dr. G. F. Stelling, of Omaha; W. G. Ballentine, of Oberlin Theological Seminary; Dr. W. G. Craig, of Theological Seminary of the North-west; E. S. Wilson, of Seabury Divinity School; Dr. J. W. Lewis, of St. Louis; Dr. E. O. Guerrant, of Louisville; Dr. J. S. Jenckes and R. V. Hunter, of Indianapolis; Dr. E. P. Shields, of Bristol, Pa.; David Utter, A. W. Little, and Prof. David Swing, of Chicago; Dr. H. C. Mabie, Secretary Baptist Foreign Missionary Society; H. H. Weber, Secretary Board of Church Extension, and M. F. Troxell, Secretary Board of Education, Evangelical Lutheran Church; T. McN. Simpson, of Lynchburg, Va.; Robert Morrison, of Aurora Springs, Mo.; E. P. Little, of Lancaster, N. H.; A. W. Little, of Portland, Maine; R. T. Savin, of Wichita, Kan.; C. M. Beckwith, of Atlanta, Ga.; and J. S. Bitler, of Ohio.

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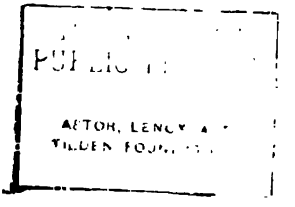
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ALPHA PROVINCE CONVENTION.

The third biennial Convention of Alpha Province was held October 30 and 31, with the New York Alpha Chapter at Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y. The date originally set for the Convention was some two weeks earlier, but, owing to the incomplete condition of the Cornell Chapter's new house, it was postponed until the time named above. And, as events proved, a more opportune date could not have been chosen. On Wednesday afternoon, October 29, the delegates began to arrive. That same afternoon the workmen put the final touches to the first floor of the new house containing the large reception, reading and smoking rooms in which the sessions of the Convention were held, and that evening the gas was turned on for the first time, and a house warming and initiation took place which will not soon be forgotten by any of the participants. The visiting Phi's will always remember it as one of the red letter nights of their fraternity experience, while the three brothers, Messrs. R. V. Jones, John Hickey and W. H. Hapgood, whose eyes were that night opened to the light of Grecian culture, will always be able to speak knowingly and feelingly of the merits of our splendid new ritual.

And now, before the convention itself is touched upon, just a word or two descriptive of the new house. It stands just at the top of Ithaca's great hill, and only a few rods from the university grounds, and from the piazza, which extends across the front and part of one side, a splendid view can be obtained of the valley below and the surrounding country. From the street it presents the appearance of a modest but very pleasant three story and basement frame building painted in brownish-red, and with a most comfortable looking piazza on two sides. Near the front

door a small stained glass window proclaims by day and by night, to Greek and barbarian, that Φ Δ Θ makes its home therein.

On entering, one is immediately struck by the perfect adaptation of the rooms to the purpose, and their tasteful and homelike decorations and furnishings. And it should be said right here, that the interior arrangements are after plans prepared by Bro. B. F. Hurd, of N. Y. Alpha, '91. The basement is devoted to the dining room, kitchen and janitor's apartments. The first floor is divided longitudinally by a hall. On the left as one enters are the general meeting or sitting room, as it might be called, and the smoking room connected by large folding doors. These two rooms when thrown together make a large audience room, in which both the sessions of the convention and the banquet were held. They are trimmed in oak, the ceiling even being entirely of polished oak. The floor is of hard wood and covered with rugs, while all the draperies, portieres and furniture, including piano, have been chosen with a view to the general harmony. Across the hall are a small, carpeted reception room and a library, reading and working room. The two upper stories are arranged in suites, each of study and sleeping rooms, and furnish accommodations for nineteen men.

This is a rough outline of the home in which N. Y. Alpha is domiciled, and in which they received the convention, and every one who attended the convention and enjoyed the hospitality of the Chapter, will agree with the writer that the home is not one whit too good for the Chapter.

The convention was called to order Thursday morning at eleven o'clock by the new Province President, B. S. Orcutt (vice Dr. G. W. Roberts, resigned). A temporary organization was effected by the election of Chas. H. Wheeler, of N. Y. Epsilon, as Secretary. A committee on credentials was appointed, and after a brief recess they reported delegates present from Colby, Dartmouth, University of Vermont, Brown, Amherst, Union, Syracuse, Cornell, Lafayette, University of Pennsylvania, Allegheny, Pennsylvania College and Lehigh. Committees on Permanent Organization and on Order of Business were then appointed, after which the Convention adjourned until 2:30 in the afternoon, and the delegates, together with a large number of Phi's who had come simply as visitors, made a tour of inspection of the university grounds and buildings.

At the afternoon session the Committee on Permanent Organization reported a list of officers, which was adopted by the convention. The minutes of the proceedings are in the possession of the Secretary, and the writer, unfortunately, is not able, from memory, to give a full list of the officers or to name the make up of committees. A partial list of officers chosen is as

follows: B. S. Orcutt, President; F. G. Gardner, N. Y. Alpha, First Vice President; Chas. H. Wheeler, N. Y. Epsilon, Secretary; S. R. Fleet, Mass. Beta, Treasurer. The Committee on Order of Business made its report outlining the work before the Convention.

Inasmuch as a Province Convention has no powers of legislation, its function becomes one merely of debate and exchange of views, and the remainder of the Thursday afternoon session and both Friday sessions were given up to the discussion of matters of interest to the Fraternity and to the Province. The question of affiliating members who might come from one chapter to another, gave rise to lengthy discussion, which resulted in the passage of a resolution that will be presented to the next general convention, asking that the constitution be so amended as to allow chapters the power to refuse to affiliate any member of another chapter upon the objection of one-fourth the members of the chapter to which the would-be affiliate desires admission.

Another matter which will probably be brought to the attention of the next general convention, though no formal resolution was passed to that effect, is a proposed constitutional amendment allowing each chapter to retain full control over every member until such member shall have discharged all his financial obligations to said chapter. The new ritual came in for a large share of discussion, as did also the question of the selection of new members, and the proper methods to be observed in order to avoid the mistake of taking in objectionable or uncongenial men, as well as to secure the very best material. This question is one of the most vital interest, and every chapter should keep it constantly in sight, for in the new men the future of the Fraternity rests, and the standard of admission cannot be kept too high.

How to conduct the literary exercises and make the weekly meetings of such interest and benefit to the members proved an interesting topic, and brought out from each chapter represented a description of the method. Among the numerous other matters discussed was the adoption of the fraternity yell suggested by the Allegheny chapter; "Rah rah, rah! Phi—kei—a! Phi Delta Theta, rah, rah, rah!"; and also the adoption of a fraternity flag and flower, but on these points no agreement was reached. As to the establishment of new chapters, the decision was unanimous against applications from Bowdoin, Mass. Institute of Technology and Maine State College, while one from University of Rochester was left for investigation.

President E. H. L. Randolph ran up from New York for a few hours, long enough to meet the boys and attend one session but, to the regret of all, he was obliged to return home at once

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Burlington, Vt., was chosen as the place for holding the next Convention, and October, 1892, is the time; the particular date to be decided by Vt. Alpha and the Province President.

No evening sessions were held, Wednesday evening being devoted (as already stated) to a house warming and initiation, Thursday evening to an informal gathering enlivened by excellent music from an orchestra made up from the delegates and local boys, and consisting of piano, first and second violin, cornet and flute, and Friday evening to the banquet.

And a most enjoyable affair was this banquet. It was laid in the chapter house, and forty-five sat down at the table. After justice had been done to the physical repast the real business of the occasion was in order, and following was the program: Toastmaster, Benjamin Sinclair Orcutt, N. Y. Gamma, '88; The Fraternity, Prof. L. H. Bailey, Mich. Beta, '82; The New Ritual, H. Ward Briggs, N. Y. Beta, '91; Alpha Province, William H. Hopkins. R. I. Alpha, '91; Our Babies, Robert V. Jones, N. Y. Alpha, '92; New York Alpha's, New Home, Charles H. Wheeler, N. Y. Epsilon, '91; Phi's on the Cinder Path, Philip E. Howard, Pa. Zeta, '91; New England's Oldest, Vt. Alpha, Thomas C. Cheney, Vt. Alpha, '91; Phi's in the World, Walter W. Case, Pa. Delta, '84; Our Sweethearts, Thomas C. Fulton, N. Y. Alpha, '92.

When Bro. Fulton had told all he knew, or, perhaps, all he cared to tell, about sweethearts, Bro. B. F. Hurd, N. Y Alpha, '91, in response to the point blank query from the toastmaster, "Where did you get that hat?" wittily explained how it happened that he was seen earlier in the day masquerading under Bro. Fulton's brain cover. E. E. Smith, Mass. Beta, '89, eloquently told how it seemed to be "Out in the World like Case," and J. H. Carfrey, N. Y. Epsilon, '92, was given "A Roving Commission through the Universe," to talk of what he chose. F. K. Smith, N. Y. Alpha, '93, enlightened the gathering on "Digs and Grave Digging," John Z. Miller, Pa. Eta, '91, talked about "Lehigh (and other things)," and F. G. Gardner, N. Y. Alpha, '91 (who expects to be a lawyer in due time), discoursed learnedly of "Phi's in Court"—on the Bench and at the Bar, of course.

A little music from the $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$ orchestra followed, and then certain ocular displays in the east made it seem discrete to adjourn, which was done with a rousing "Rah, rah, rah! Phi—kei—a! Phi Delta Theta! rah, rah, rah" for New York Alpha.

BROTHERHOOD.

I hear the voice of brotherhood that spoke
From Jesus' breaking heart in days gone by,
And hearing, I am helped along life's way.
I know He led the wretched by the hand
And called the weary to a rest of peace.
His touch did open sightless eyes to-day
And bring harmonious sounds to deafened ears.
The lame leaped forth whene'er He said.
And this was Jesus, brother to us all.
Be Thou so near me in this passing life
That I can feel Thy sorrow-laden heart;
And may its throbs of love meet with response
From mine, imperfect in its love for man.
Gethsemene is near. Thy voice is heard
In all the days and years within my life.
It speaks above the silent speaking dust
Of resurrected glory—calling in the soul;
And in obedience I answer, Lord,
Receive myself, 'tis all I have or am,
And in receiving, make me truly Thine.

R. H. CALLAHAN, *Ohio Beta*, '84.

THE PRESIDENT HARRISON BANQUET.

Early in September it was known that President Harrison had definitely arranged to attend the re-union of his old brigade in Galesburg, October 8. It was then that the active and resident alumni Phi's of the Lombard and Knox Chapters conceived the idea of having some one feature of the many hospitalities to be extended to the President during his stay in Galesburg, a distinctively Phi affair, in which his junior brothers in Phi Delta Theta might directly express their pleasure in his distinguished presence, and thus add a new experience to those which on many occasions have evinced the interest that the President yet feels for the Fraternity and the old Phi associations at Miami. In response to the invitation that he give his presence at a banquet tendered by the Illinois Delta and Zeta Chapters, he sent his acceptance, provided that such a plan be arranged for by the general committee having in charge the schedule of entertainment during his stay. This was a matter easily arranged, notwithstanding the many organizations and events clamoring for recognition on the program of the day. The Phi's of Gales-

burg, form a manly element in business and professional circles of the city, and the Knox and Lombard Chapters are both thoroughly representative of their institutions, so that their claim was quickly recognized. The banquet was arranged for six o'clock, following the re-union exercises of the day.

The elaborate scale on which the banquet was planned, and the successful way in which it was carried out, marks Galesburg Phi's as equal to any occasion. It was held in the I. O. O. F. hall. The President and party arrived at six o'clock, and it was in the few minutes of personal greeting and intercourse with the Phi's at this time that our distinguished brother showed his warm interest in Phi's and Phi Delta Theta of to-day. We regret that the newspapaper accounts do not reproduce any portions of his remarks save the closing ones of general import and interest. The ones which preceded were those full of college and Phi Delta Theta reminiscences. Like many such, they were for the occasion, and lose their force and heartiness if reduced to type. The Phi's present will not soon forget his brotherly words, and the happy event it was to sit at a Phi banquet table graced by the presence of the President of the United States.

The full account of the evening is well given in the report of a local paper, so it is here incorporated.

PHI DELTA THETA BANQUET.

At six o'clock P. M., Wednesday, occurred the banquet at the Odd Fellows' Hall tendered the President by the Lombard and Knox chapters of Phi Delta Theta, of which college fraternity General Harrison was a member while a student in college. The boys were highly honored by the President when he gave his consent to this banquet, considering how full his time was, and it shows that the President still retains warm recollections of his college days and their associations.

The banquet was the most elaborate affair of the kind ever attempted in Galesburg, and reflects the greatest credit upon the executive ability and pluck of the Phi boys in attempting it and carrying it out so successfully. It involved the expenditure of hundreds of dollars. The Phi's wish to thank Mr. Fred Burtt for his kind assistance in the matter, he superintending all the arrangements. Mr. Burtt secured the services of the well-known Chicago caterer, Eckhart, to serve the banquet.

The entire service, with fifteen waiters and cooks, came from Chicago early yesterday morning, and worked all day. The tables and hall presented a most beautiful appearance. Everything was arranged in combinations of the Phi colors—blue and white. The table service was a handsome set of blue and white

china. The white waxen tapers were surmounted with blue shades and blue ribbons. The President's table was spread with a blue silk cover. The lamp at this table had beautiful blue silk shades with white roses set on them. The floral decorations were superb, and in the same colors. Around the President's plate was a floral horse-shoe of sweet violets and white roses. Banked around the table lights were the same flowers. At each guest's plate was a white rose bud. The walls were draped with the Fraternity colors. Above the President hung his picture in a blue and white frame. At the opposite side of the hall was the white and blue banner of the Fraternity.

After introduction to their Brother Harrison, the boys and their guests went to the banquet hall. At the President's table sat Toastmaster Lester L. Silliman, of the Lombard Chapter, with President Harrison on the right and General Miles at his left. Other guests at this table were General Grosvenor, General Morgan, Dr. Ayres, General Post, Mayor Stevens and Rev. Dr. Hood, Col. Halford, Col. Corbin and others of the President's party and General Miles's staff, occupied adjoining tables.

The remaining tables were filled with some twenty-five active and alumni members of the Lombard Chapter, fifteen of the Knox Chapter and alumni, and some fifty of Galesburg's prominent citizens. The company of one hundred was clearly representative of the young men of Lombard and Knox, as well as our city.

Rev. Dr. Hood asked grace, and Toastmaster Silliman, introduced Brother Geo. W. Prince, who welcomed the President as follows:

"Mr. Toastmaster: On behalf of the local chapters, Illinois Delta of Knox College, and Zeta of Lombard University, of the Phi Delta Theta Fraternity, I welcome you, Brother Benjamin Harrison, to our banquet hall.

The record shows that in 1852, at Miami University, in the Chapter of Ohio Alpha, you were initiated into the mysteries of our beloved Fraternity,

Through the association thus formed, and the discipline of mind there received, you have been enabled to fight successfully the battle of life.

To-day, by honorable and manly effort, you stand upon the highest eminence which mortal man can attain, and yet we feel sure that your heart beats in sympathy, not only with the members of this our Fraternity, but with every student who is struggling to fit himself for the high duties and responsibilities of American citizenship.

The hour is pregnant with questions of gravest moment, and only disciplined minds can grasp them.

As our Fraternity has given to the United States a President, may we not indulge in the belief that in its ranks shall still be found men equipped to meet and solve any and all questions which may arise.

We congratulate ourselves in having with us to-night the President of the United States.

Trusting that you will carry with you only pleasant recollections of your brief stay here with us, I again bid you a hearty welcome."

To which welcome the distinguished Phi Brother, President Harrison, arising amid great applause, responded. After a few brief remarks regarding his recollections of fraternity and college matters, and his pleasure at meeting again with the members of the Phi Delta Theta, which formed so pleasant a place in his youthful memories, continuing he said:

"My college associations were broken early in life, partly by necessity and partly by choice; by necessity so far as the compulsion to work for a living was upon me, and by choice in that I added to my responsibility at an early date, so that it has not been my pleasure often to meet with or sit about the banquet board with members of this society. It gives me great pleasure to meet with you to-night. I feel the greatest sympathy with these young men who are now disciplining their minds for the work of life. I would not have them make these days too serious, and yet they are very full of portent and promise. It is not inconsistent, I think, with the joyfulness and gladness which pertains to youth, that they shall have some sense of the value of these golden days. They are days that are to affect the whole future. If I were to select a watchword that I would have every young man write above his door and on his heart it would be that good word 'Fidelity.' I know of no better. The man who meets every obligation to the family, to society, to the State, to his country and his God, to the very best measure of his strength and ability, cannot fail of that assurance and quietness that comes of a good conscience, and will seldom fail of the approval of his fellow-men, and will never fail of that reward which is promised to faithfulness. Unfaithfulness and lack of fidelity to duty, to work and to obligation is the open door to all that is disgraceful and degrading. I want to thank you again, gentlemen, for this pleasant greeting, and to ask you, after the rather exhaustive duties of this day, to excuse me from further address, and accept the best wishes of a Brother in Phi Delta Theta."

Continued applause greeted the President as he concluded. The Phi's and their guests were enthusiastic in the extreme.

The discussion of the following menu then followed:

Blue Points half shell,
Apricot Punch,
Timbals of Sweetbreads,
Relishes,
Salad of Chicken and Shrimp,
Nesselrode Pudding,
Maraschino Glace,
Neapolitan Small Cake,
Fruit Bon Bons,
Coffee.

At the conclusion of the menu the President and party left to attend the brigade banquet. The toast programme was then begun. Bro. Gen. John C. Black, who was to toast "Phi's in Politics," was unavoidably absent. Guy P. Williams, of Knox Chapter, toasted "Phi's of To-day." Impromptu toasts then followed. Brother Prof. S. C. Ransom toasted "Early Phi Days at Lombard." Hon. J. J Tunnicliff toasted "Boys as Banquetters," complimenting the boys most highly. Bro. Sam D. Harsh toasted "The Occasion." A Phi song concluded this most memorable Phi banquet—the completest of successes.

If our history is correct, this is the first time a President of the United States was ever * * * * * Fraternity."

There were other pleasant fraternity incidents on the President's western trip. At Wooster, Ohio, the train stopped long enough for him to make a few remarks to the citizens and students assembled to greet him. At the close of these he was presented with a box of white roses, the gift of Ohio Delta. On the committee from Wooster which met the train the first station east, was Prof. O. N. Stoddard, a member of the Ohio Alpha who was teaching at Miami when Harrison was a student.

The *Voice* gives this "Reminiscence":

"President Harrison has evidently not forgotten his college days at Miami University. On the way from Millbrook, while in conversation with Doctor Stoddard the President remarked: "Doctor, appearances indicate a heavy rain in this section recently." "Yes," replied the Doctor, "we had a very heavy rain yesterday." "Almost as heavy as there was one night at Oxford?" suggested the President. "I have no special recollection of it," confessed the Signal Service Officer of Wooster. "Why, don't you remember that you recorded it as a remarkable rain fall?" queried the President, laughing. He then explained, "Gentlemen, the fact is, once upon a time the students at Oxford one night, when there was but a slight shower, poured water into the Doctor's rain guage, and next morning he announced that a great rain of several inches had fallen during the night." After the laughter subsided the Doctor admitted that he remembered it now quite well. The President, still true to student instinct, affirmed that he wasn't one of the culprits himself. He however felt at liberty to add that the Rev. Dr. Swing, of Chicago, was."

At Topeka, the occasion of the President's visit was a cause for the temporary removal of the State University student population from Lawrence to Topeka, and with this was Kansas Alpha. Among those who pressed into the file of those who sought to grasp the President's hand was the latest initiate of Kansas Alpha.

It was with a smile of recognition that the President caught sight of the badge and colors, and with a hearty clasp he gave the iniate the grip and spoke a word of congratulation to him.

When a man to whom a nation pays honor, and whose every minute is filled to overflowing with the responsibilities of a great republic, it is not a little thing to have him ready to give an evening to his Fraternity, and in the midst of thousands to stop with a special word for one who wears its symbol the same. Surely the Phi's are glad that there was a Brigade Reunion at Galesburg.

THE ACORN AND THE OAK.

A PLANTING AT MIAMI.

THE ACORN.

Were it not for the generous way in which the Associated Press heralded the fact throughout the country, few outside of Oxford students and *D. K. E. Quarterly* readers would ever know that D. K. E. had an initiation at Miami on Saturday evening, September 21. Thanks to the liberal advertising, the fact is now well established in the minds of many far and near. The Dekes have a right to follow their own judgment in matters of D. K. E. initiatory etiquette, and the Miami boys chose the hour of 7:30 P. M. to assume their funeral robes and march about the streets of Oxford with their candidate encased in a "time-honored coffin." Such a procession at such an hour in a quiet village like Oxford was a rare treat, and called out a goodly number of citizens, old and young, of both male and female persuasion. As the procession on its return started up stairs to reach the spot where the barbarian was to be planted in D. K. E. soil, one of the members of the procession felt an entreating pull at the tail of his gown—which, emanating from a new student, a prep and a barb, all combined in one personage, might variously have been supposed to be either an entreaty by which the individual desired to indicate that he was there ready for similar treatment in the "time-honored coffin," or it might have been administered as one would pull an opponent's nose, as much as to say, "there, how do you like that?"—or it might have arisen from one of a dozen other motives. Be that as it may, the pull at the gown was answered by an immediate flourish of revolver on the part of pulled. The puller saw that negotiations must close for the time being, and declared the proposition null and void. The revolver flourished for but a moment. the act of impulse, and there was no disposition to molest the flourisher. Immediately following this, one of the

leaders tripped on a wire, and as his comrades stumbled forward, the last man was caught by the foot by a town boy, an ex-student, and caused to fall. Scrambling to his feet he turned around and made a pass at the person nearest by, who, as it happened, was in no way concerned in the interference. The person who had tripped him again caught him and threw him down, and that was the end of the affair. Had there been no newspaper correspondent aching for notoriety and languishing for the wherewithal to get it, the matter would never have been thought of as anything more than a town and gown prank in which good humor was ruffled, but good sense won the day. However, the "bound-to-write-something" fellow heard of it, and planted the acorn with results as follows:

I.—A Small Sprout.

Taken from the *Cincinnati Enquirer*, September 22.

The D. K. E., which is one of the societies of Miami University, and who have their hall in the business part of the town, initiated a new member last night.

The people in the vicinity of the post-office were much surprised last evening at seeing several of the fraternity dressed in black gowns, with masks of the same, march down the street, bearing between them a black coffin. They were gone about an hour.

When they returned, some of the students who do not belong to the fraternity, attempted to capture the coffin from them. A hard struggle followed, in which several clinched and went into the gutter. Some of the D. K. E. members got out their guns, but their better judgment kept them from using them, and they managed, after quite a tussle, to get the coffin to their hall with only a few sore heads.

The sprout continued to grow, as evidenced by this clipping from the *New York Times*, sent us from Hot Springs, Ark.

II.—Growing.

Broken Heads in College.—Secret Fraternities at Miami Come Into Hot Conflict.—Hamilton, Ohio, September 22.—It has been many a long day since old Miami University at Oxford has seen such stirring times as was witnessed Saturday night. The trouble was over the initation of a man by the D. K. E. Fraternity. Several D. K. E. men clad in long black shrouds, and wearing masks, were carrying their man through the streets in a coffin, the same coffin which the fraternity used to initiate Col. Brice.

The Phi Delta Theta Fraternity have a hall in the same building as the D. K. E., and is reached by the same stairway. The former decided on having some sport, and arranged wires on the stairway and hall to trip the D. K. E. men when they came up. In this they were successful, but they also precipitated a small riot when the pall bearers tripped

with the coffin and its occupant fell out and cut his head, his comrades resenting it, and sailing into the Phi Delta Theta boys. Some Beta Theta Pi's were also in the crowd, and a fight ensued. Both sides received some rough handling, and a score of bandaged heads this morning tells the story of the conflict. There were no arrests.

Here is still another version as it appeared to the *Ohio State Journal.*

III.—Still Growing.

Combat Among Students.—Outbreak Among Fraternity Boys at Old Miami University.—Oxford, O., Sept. 23.—[Special]—There was an outbreak Saturday night among the Fraternity men of Miami University that came near resulting in bloodshed. It arose out of the initiation of a new man by the D. K. E.'s. Those who have attended Miami and gone through this will remember the old coffin that forms an interesting part of the impressive ceremonies. The trouble caused by the display of this gloomy emblem would have been obviated had the boys selected a later hour in which to take it out. Instead of so doing, the fraternity met at 7:30 o'clock, placed Beard in the ghostly box, strapped him down and started for the parade, with which all initiations in this fraternity begin. Six young men, wearing long black robes and white masks, solemnly and gravely carried the coffin, while a "priest" marched in front.

No sooner had this delegation departed, than members of the Beta Theta Pi and Phi Delta Theta appeared and strung fine wires across the lower hallway, across the steps and at the entrance of the club-room, at a short distance from the floor, where it would trip up the feet of any one walking.

When the procession returned it was followed by two or three hundred children and men. As the leaders entered the hallway to ascend to the rooms of the chapter, members of the two opposing societies and some of the town boys pushed forward to see the fun they knew would come. A moment later the leaders tripped on the wire and fell, plunging headlong. The coffin was dropped, and Beard was thrown out under the feet of his companions. When this was done the other fraternity boys were closing in behind. The D. K. E. fellows thought the opposition was beginning an attack with the purpose of wresting their time-honored coffin from them. Acting upon this impulse they began to fight the crowd back.

The struggle then began, and blows fell thick and fast. One of the D. K. E. fellows was knocked reeling into the gutter. The "rushers" were getting the best of it, when one of the men with the coffin threw up his mask and pulled a revolver. The movement was quickly followed by others, and for a moment it looked as if there would be blood spilled. Two or three big fellows yelled to the hot-headed boys to put up their guns. At the same time they pushed around so close that the boys were unable to handle their weapons, and were compelled to give them up.

The next place we find this interesting sprout is in the *Louisville Courier-Journal*, where in an editorial on "Crime in the North" the same dispatch as clipped from the *N. Y. Times* is introduced in the argument as showing a pastime in northern classic shades. We have already received papers containing this Associated Press account sent to us from various quarters, one coming from San Francisco, where it had been published, the Brother who sent it writing to know what sort of a civilization we had here in this Ohio orient. As the matter had been taken up editorially in the *Courier Journal*, the following communication was sent to that paper and appeared in the issue of October 10. It is explanatory here as well as there.

IV.—Rumpus at Miami University.

(*To the Editor of the Courier Journal*).

Columbus, O., Oct. 8, 1890.—Referring to your editorial on "Crime in the North," in your issue of Oct. 1, I see you introduce a dispatch sent out from Hamilton, Ohio, September 22, which purports to be an account of a serious affray between members of certain Greek letter fraternities at Miami University, Oxford. The dispatch has, doubtless, caused many to severely censure these societies, as they would deserve, were they implicated in such lawlessness as described.

The undersigned has since that time made a careful investigation of the facts in the case, and has found the report to be so highly colored as to scarcely be descriptive of the actual occurrence, and so far as it implicated members of Phi Delta Theta, entirely without foundation.

The Phi Delta Theta Chapter has rooms in the same building as the D. K. E. Chapter, and they are reached by the same entrance. At the time of this occurrence the Phi Delta Theta Chapter was in session, the attention of its members having first been called to the D. K. E. so-called funeral procession by the noise of those following it. On the return of the procession the members appeared outside to witness what appeared to be a free show. No members or member of the chapter was concerned in placing wires across the passage-way, or was implicated in any interference with members of the D. K. E. procession. I also understand that there were no members of Beta Theta Pi present during the affair.

There was but one wire across the entrance, and that had been placed there by town boys, not students. There was but one revolver drawn, and that by a member of D. K. E. There were no broken or bruised heads, and very little foundation, in fact, for the sensational item sent out.

The Phi Delta Theta Fraternity was founded at Miami University in 1848, and this chapter enrolls as members some of the leading men of the State and nation, not least among whom is President Benjamin Harrison, who to-night at Galesburg, Ill., shows his continued interest in the society by his presence at a reception and banquet given under the

auspices of the two active college chapters at that place. The Fraternity aims to develop the highest types of manhood, and has long since taken its stand against student rowdyism, hazing and lawlessness under whatever name, as have also all the leading American college fraternities.

We hope that you will give space to this correction of an item which reflects unjustly on societies which are allies of law and order.

Very respectfully,

J. E. BROWN,

Editor of the Phi Delta Theta Scroll.

As indicated in the above communication and in the account first given in this article, there was little foundation for the dispatches as published throughout the country. The best of feeling has always existed and continues between the chapters of *Φ Δ Θ*, *Β Θ Π* and *Δ Κ Ε* at Miami. Nowhere has the published account caused much greater surprise than at Oxford, where the affair is supposed to have happened. Such stories sent out do much harm to fraternities in general as well as the particular chapters involved in them. This one having been so widely circulated we have quoted at considerable length, and have taken pains to correct. It is a fair sample of the coloring of college pranks sent out by many town reporters who have little sympathy with student affairs.

EDITORIAL.

THE last year has given two fine additions to the list of engraved symbols of Phi Delta Theta, both being intended primarily for use in College Annuals. A year ago Mr. Lockwood, of the then firm of Lockwood & Coombes, executed a plate, under approval, which appeared in the annuals from Allegheny, Vanderbilt, Ohio State, and Wabash last spring. The design of this was strictly Phi Delta Theta and original.

This fall Dreka presents a new plate to the chapters for college annual, convention, program, and banquet menu use, which is an exceptionally chaste and appropriate piece of work. It is smaller than the coat of arms (Dreka) and Lockwood plates, while the design being so simple, and yet so pleasing in effect, cannot help but make it popular with the chapters and the Fraternity. Mr. Dreka deserves much credit for the designing and execution of this plate which we consider one of the most effective of its class.

If chapters have not already received samples from this they can obtain them by sending a request for the same to Dreka, 1129 Chestnut street, Philadelphia.

No chapter of Phi Delta Theta should allow itself to pursue any policy that is contrary to the well defined position of the Fraternity on the initiation of preparatory students. That matter has been settled. The General Council in 1888 took a stand upon the matter which was made an issue at the Bloomington convention. With hearty unanimity the Convention made our constitution render preparatory students ineligible for membership. Any chapter that initiates such a student violates the law of the Fraternity, and renders itself liable to the penalty for the same. We have watched the happy effect of this law in the several quarters where it was to make changes, and have yet to learn positively of a chapter that has been injured in local standing by its enforcement. More than one we *know* to have profited by the stand they took in the matter. Their refusal to do anything more than pledge their sub-freshmen, whose rivals offered immediate initiation, has served to raise the chapters in the esteem of

faculty and students. The law, we believe, has been obeyed by almost every chapter that was affected by it, as the General Council and the National Conventions will insist that it shall be, for the practice is in no sense in keeping with the spirit of Phi Delta Theta.

Our attention was called to this matter by the correspondence from Hillsdale College in our friend the *Rainbow*, two letters from the Hillsdale correspondent referring to the Φ Δ Θ chapter as being in the habit of initiating "preps," and citing this as weakening its local standing.

An answer received to a letter of inquiry to Michigan Gamma, puts our Δ T Δ friend in error, as the chapter has no members below freshman rank, and states that it does not make preparatory initiations. When the rule was brought up by the General Council, we know that at that time the chapter expressed its intention to abide faithfully by it. Whether it has ever faltered in its adherence to the law, we cannot say, but beyond mere pledging, the "prep" has neither "part nor parcel" in the present history of the chapter.

THE Editor of the SCROLL would be ungrateful if he made no reply to the many words of commendation and encouragement which he has received in the last few months from active and alumni Phi's all over the country. Such greetings carry with them the inspiration which comes from expressed appreciation. The present management is doing all it can to make the SCROLL mirror and measure the life and spirit of the Fraternity. If the SCROLL pleases you, and is possessed of new interest, it is only because it is acting more perfectly in its reflections of Phi Delta Theta personalities and achievements. If there was no real life, no actual fraternizing moral force in the Fraternity which made every Phi a better man for being a Phi, if there was not that which every day brought brothers into contact with manly teachings and aspirations, then no matter who was in control, the SCROLL would be dull and uninteresting. That it is now more of a factor in our fraternity life, I take it as merely proof that the Fraternity has a new vitality in itself. The chapters and Phi's scattered here and there, divorced by time from college and chapter work, are the ones who have furnished the

material, which the Editor has merely culled over and arranged for publication. We write not to congratulate ourselves on the past and present, but to show you that it is by your aid that the success of the coming numbers is to be marked. May your loyal co-operation continue.

AT the beginning of the college year we had it in mind to give not a little space in the current volume to chapter house discussions; to urge more than ever upon the chapters the importance of this topic; and to insist that even those who feel that such a thing as a chapter house must be for them a thing of the far future, have present duties in the matter that they cannot push aside. The trouble with many is that they compare the costly investments of older and richer chapters with their own limited resources. Not one is too poor to do the best it can, and there's not one but whose members can afford to contribute something, small though it may be, to a fund which shall be left to accumulate until it can be of some avail. The point is to organize and marshall what forces you have into their best array. If you make up your mind to this you will be surprised at what you can do.

Until a few days ago we did not know what a good text we had in this line for the December issue. It came from Galesburg, and we congratulate Illinois Zeta on its mothering such loyal Phi's as those who composed its class of 1890. Of the six brothers who graduated from Lombard in June last, each one left behind him one hundred dollars as a contribution to the Illinois Zeta Chapter house fund. With six hundred dollars in hand, and its numerous loyal alumni, this thriving chapter will be able to add to this yearly until it can safely invest in property to call its own. The letter from Wisconsin Alpha in this issue describes the new home in which it is ensconced, overlooking Lake Mendota, giving a glimpse of the University grounds, and being altogether a home to be happy in and proud of.

Michigan Alpha, like Wisconsin, has moved into a house built especially for its use, and in every way adapted for a pleasant home. This the chapter has furnished itself, and has made it a pleasant hearth stone for Ann Arbor Phi's.

Turn to the account of Alpha Province Convention and read the New York Alpha Chapter letter, and you can almost see the flame that leaps up at the chapter fireside, finding a responsive glow in the hearts of our Cornell Phi's.

May the love of home increase and multiply among our chapters until others are similarly situated.

HALF a hundred Phi chapters present letters to the Fraternity in this issue of the SCROLL, and a perusal of them will give an indication of what promise there is in the year for Phi Delta Theta. Most of them have been written at a time when the fall campaign had been finished or was well in its last stages, so that an estimate could be given on the strength that the chapters expected to add to themselves in the way of new brothers. By the time this is read the character of each chapter for the year will be quite fully defined. From a careful reading of all the SCROLL letters, from the private letters we have received from members, and from the bubbling enthusiasm and loyal determination which has cropped out here, there and everywhere, we do not hesitate to say that the close of the fall campaign finds our chapters generally, equipped with a finer personnel, charged with greater vigor for fraternity work and crowded more closely together in that common enthusiasm whose only expression is to be found in an eager desire to do all that will maintain and further the interests of Phi Delta Theta.

Now that the ranks have been recruited and the new brothers have taken their vows at the triple-faced altar of $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$, the work has been but well begun. The battle for the formation of a year's history in which shall be recorded the successes earned by worth, is yet to be fought. Now is the time when the new brothers should become informed on the history of their chapters and the Fraternity at large. There should be a systematized plan by which so much time at each meeting for the next month, should be given to a study of the origin, development, and present standing of Phi Delta Theta. The founding of the chapter and the leading points in its history should be made familiar to every member, as well as the ability to recall the names of all those ever connected with the chapter and those from the chapters at large, who have become prominent in pub-

lic life. By doing these things a good foundation is laid for well knowing and effective chapter workers. A taste for fraternity lore is given that will strengthen their affiliation from day to day.

There is one thing for which there is no excuse and which is almost pitiable to see, a man engaged in some chapter work or inter-fraternity enterprise in which he is called on for information concerning his Fraternity, who is completely lacking in the information. Yet there are many such to be found in the ranks of every fraternity to-day. Let men of that kind be few in Phi Delta Theta. As soon as the brother finds himself within our portals see to it that he becomes a well-posted Phi.

Having recruited your ranks enter into the work of the chapter and college with the determination to make it a year to be proud of. At no moment forget to keep such an atmosphere about all that pertains to Φ Δ Θ and its associations, as will ennoble and refine. Keep the Fraternity allied with all that is good in you. Do not neglect your college work for pleasanter diversions, but pursue it with the same steadfastness. Carry in every branch of it the ideals taught by Φ Δ Θ, and at the end of the year, your chapter and your Fraternity will have like cause for congratulation.

CHAPTER CORRESPONDENCE.

ALPHA PROVINCE.

MAINE ALPHA, COLBY UNIVERSITY.

The fall term at Colby opened Sept. 24, with all but one of Maine Alpha's members in attendance. Bro. Morse, '91, is acting as principal of the High School in Warren, Me. We hope he will rejoin us soon. It has been a very busy "fishing" season for us, and we feel that we have been well repaid for all our labor, for we have initiated eight first class fellows and expect one or two more. We trust we have chosen those who will be an honor to our Fraternity.

We point with pride this year to Bro. Robert's, '90, who has been chosen by the trustees of this college as instructor in English and tutor in Mathematics. We think we have reason to be proud of such a man.

The class of '94 numbers over sixty. Our rivals here are Δ *K E*, *Z Ψ*, and Δ *Υ* with 26, 21, and 32 members respectively. Rivalry in fishing men has become pretty strong this term. We have aimed, however, to refrain from all running down of the other societies, and to let our own speak for itself. Our chapter is young, of course, but we gain ground each year, and accept no second place.

Yours in the Bond,

ALBERT G. HURD.

Waterville, Nov. 8, 1890.

NEW HAMPSHIRE ALPHA, DARTMOUTH COLLEGE.

The year at Dartmouth opened in a manner very pleasing to New Hampshire Alpha. We feel that we have begun what is to prove the most successful year yet experienced in the history of our chapter. Every man seems to be filled with a true Phi spirit, and more determined than ever to do good work for his chapter, and the Fraternity at large.

In the early part of the term F. P. Tuxbury, '93, was added to our number, a man whom we all were proud to greet as brother.

The entering class of '94 was so unusually large, that all the societies here had an opportunity of securing good men. We feel highly pleased with the results of our efforts during the "chinning season," as we secured a large and strong delegation from '94. We are confident that every man will do honor to his

Fraternity, and prove himself worthy of the hearty welcome and true esteem of every Phi.

The initiation exercises occured on Friday evening October 31, immediately after which a very enjoyable banquet took place at the "Wheelock.' After everyone had done justice to an excellent menu, Bro. Gould, '92, officiated very acceptably as toastmaster. Bros. Sparhawk, '89, and Grover, '90, very agreeably entertained us with reminiscences of the past, and with encouraging remarks for the future. We were also pleased to have with us Bros. Bosworth and Orton, of Vermont Alpha.

The reputation of our chapter for containing good athletes still holds tone. We are well represented in base ball, foot ball and general athletics. In the annual fall athletic meeting, Bros. Rowe, '91, Kellar, '93, Claggett and Grover, '94, did us much credit, all taking medals or prizes. Bro. Rowe has won many laurels, and has a brilliant record as a runner, that the Fraternity may well be proud of.

It was with much pleasure that we learned of the successful session of the Alpha Province Convention held with New York Alpha at Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y. Surely it was of inestimable benefit to every chapter there represented, and could not fail to kindle anew loyalty and love for Phi Delta Theta.

We would cordially welcome any of our brothers from other chapters, who can arrange to visit us.

We extend greeting to every chapter, and heartily wish all a most pleasant and successful year.

CHARLES B. GORDON.

Hanover, Nov. 6, 1890.

VERMONT ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT.

This year bids fair to be a prosperous one for Vermont Alpha. We returned to college with twenty-one men, and have pledged five good men from the entering class. At the beginning of the term the Greek letter fraternities agreed not to approach the freshmen upon society matters for four weeks. By means of this agreement the societies have had a better opportunity than usual of looking over the freshmen, and too hasty pledging has been stopped. The plan has worked well, as all the chapters have kept the agreement faithfully. The best men in '94 have been very evenly divided among the various societies. The freshman class numbers sixty students, and is the largest class that has ever entered the University.

Vermont Alpha, as usual, has her share of honors in athletics, as well as in students. Eight of the fourteen players on the foot ball eleven are Phi's. Bro. Hawley has been chosen first director, and Bro. Lewis secretary and treasurer of the base-ball

club. We shall have three, and possibly four, of the regular players upon that team. Bro. Avery has been elected leader of the Glee Club, seven of whose members are Phi's. It is expected that the club will take its first trip during the Thanksgiving recess. The college year, heretofore divided into three terms, is now divided in to two terms, with a week's vacation at Christmas and one at Easter.

Of our '90 graduates, Bros. Forbes and Parsons are principals of High Schools, the former at Shoreham and the latter at Jericho; Bro. Sornborger is instructor in English and history in Otterville College, Otterville, Mo.; Bro. Moore is in Manchester, N. H., engaged in the insurance business; Bro. Dean is at present in Chicago, where he intends to locate in business; Bro. Howe is at his house in Newfane, where he has been assisting his father, who is chief enumerator of the census of this state; Bro. Morgan is at his house in Morrisville. He and Bro. Forbes are to enter the medical college here in March.

Bros. Lewis and Cheney represented Vt. Alpha at the Alpha Province convention, which was held with the Cornell Chapter Oct. 30 and 31. They report a rousing convention, and wish to extend to the Cornell brothers their thanks for the handsome way in which they entertained the delegates. They are very much pleased with the thought that we are to have the next Province convention here. We are already formulating plans, whereby we may be able to make the delegates enjoy the time they will spend with us. The brothers of this Province may rest assured that we shall do our utmost to have the next convention as successful as the one just held at Cornell.

Bros. Bosworth and Orton went to Dartmouth Oct. 31 and helped N. H. Alpha to initiate her freshman delegation. We expect, in return, that our Dartmouth Chapter will send delegates here next week, when our "William" will bring our freshmen into the mysteries of Phi Delta Theta.

We are happy to note that Bro. A. B. Cordley, Mich. Beta, '88, is one of the instructors in the agricultural department of the University of Vermont. By his interest in $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$ he shows that "once a Phi, always a Phi," is a true adage.

We were pleased to see Bro. Hyde, '88, who paid us a flying visit recently. We hope that *all* of our alumni and other Phi's who may happen this way will come to see us. We promise them royal entertainment if they will.

In the Bond,

THOS. C. CHENEY.

Burlington, Nov. 6, 1890.

No.
DELTA UPSILON FRATERNITY
LIBRARY.

Massachusetts Alpha, Williams College.

At commencement last June, Massachusetts Alpha took its full share of honors. All of the Senior class received appointments. Brother Travell was salutatorian, and three took Phi Beta Kappa keys. Brother Bohrer, '91, is also a key man.

During the summer our chapter house was enlarged, repaired, and painted throughout. Fifteen of our members returned to college this term.

On October 24, 1890, we h ld our annual initiation, followed by a banquet. We initiated Woodbury Treat Morris, '92, Cincinnati, Ohio; Edwin Carlton Gillette, Hartford, Conn.; Robert Joseph Gulliver, Norwich, Conn.; and Harry Osgood Spalding, Boston, Mass., '94. We are very confident that they will strengthen our chapter here and advance the cause of Phi Delta Theta.

Brother Bohrer, '91, has been elected president of the Classical Socety, an honor which we have not had before.

We have had visits from several of our '90 brothers, and shall heartily welcome any members of the Fraternity passing through Williamstown. Yours in the Bond,

E. J. Collier.

Williamstown, November 10, 1890.

Massachusetts Beta, Amherst College.

Massachusetts Beta is now well established in another year's work; the excitement of the rushing season is over, initiation is past, and the literary work of the chapter has begun.

With the graduation of '90, four members have gone from us. Of these, Bro. Doane has entered Yale divinity school (where by the way, are some seven or eight Phi's); Bro. Lester is expected to enter Columbia Law School, while Bros. Durgin and Smith are still at, or near, their native heaths.

At last commencement, Bro. Durgin officiated as Grove Poet in the class day exercises; Bro. Doane obtained a place in the Hyde six (prize orations). In the prize work of last year we were successful to the extent of four Latin prizes, Bro. Smith winning the Bertram prize scholarship of $100, the fourth Latin prize he has taken in his college course, Bros. Knowlton and Williams 1st and 2nd Junior prizes respectively; and Bro. Wilbur, 2nd Sophomore. There are some twenty-five prizes awarded each year; and with nine fraternities to claim the honors it will be seen that Massachusetts Beta has a fair share. Bros. Doane and Smith secured *Φ B K* election in '90, and Bro. Lewis on first drawing from '91.

The rushing season passed this year with its usual excitement keeping all society men very much occupied for the first two weeks of the term. From the fact that the Freshmen class this year is below the average in numbers, our initiates are fewer than usual. We increase our membership by five, whom we can heartily recommend to the Phi's throughout our fraternity realm. Our initiation occurred on the night of October 17th. The "preliminaries" were carried through successfully; and if five individuals have not vivid recollections of the occasion, it is no fault of the Phi's of Amherst.

Around the tables where the banquet was spread sat twenty-nine brothers—the present membership of Massachusetts Beta being reinforced by Bros. Durgin, '90, and Bro. Danforth, '88, the founder of the chapter. The latter part of the ceremonies were under the direction of Bro. Lewis, '91, as toastmaster.

One thing which has caused sorrow to all Massachusetts Betas was the news of the death of a charter member, Bro. Natsajimi (or Sawayama, as he was known to us, he having since changed his name for political reasons). At the time of his death he held an educational office in the imperial family of Japan. His death is a real loss to the Phi world. He was a man whom every brother in the Bond might be proud to know.

Amherst enters upon this year with bright prospects. Though the life of the college last year was retarded by the illness of President Seelye, and his consequent resignation at the close of the year was a cause for regret by us all, the election of President Gates, then of Rutgers, and his assumption of his duties here have given us the greatest encouragement for the future of the college.

Our initiates are Albert S. Baker, George A. Goodell, Harwood B. Smith, Arthur W. Stone, Nathan H. Weeks.

HOWARD A. LINCOLN.

Amherst, Oct. 31, 1890.

RHODE ISLAND ALPHA, BROWN UNIVERSITY.

With our last commencement closed a most prosperous year for R. I. Alpha. In the spring field sports Brother Chapman secured first prize in the mile run and also in the standing high jump; Brother Young secured second prize in throwing the 16 lb. hammer; while Brother Durham, Filmer and Young were our representatives on the tug of war teams.

Near the close of the term Brother Young received a silver medal which was awarded by the American Protective Tariff League for a meritorious essay on the subject, "The application of the American policy of protection to American shipping engaged in inter-national commerce."

The Phi's of '90 graduated with honor. Brothers Young and Kingsley were appointed by the faculty as commencement orators, and Brother Kingsley acted as president of the class supper.

The promenade concert on class night was somewhat handicapped by the inclemency of the weather, but this made the various society spreads the more appreciated, and that of R. I. Alpha, as conceded by all, bore away the palm of superiority.

During the summer vacation, the hand of death, for the first time in the history of our chapter, fell upon one of our members, Arthur Ellis Barrows, '89, who was drowned at Rochester, Mass., Monday, Aug. 4. Brother Barrows was a charter member, and most loyal to $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, and by his death, both chapter and Fraternity have sustained a great loss.

We assembled this fall with fifteen members, having lost five by the graduation of the class of '90. Brothers Chapman, Green, Jones and Kingsley have entered the Newton Theological Seminary, and Brother Young is teaching in Suffield, Conn. We were rejoiced, a few weeks ago, at the return of Brother Swift, '89, whose health was somewhat impaired by excessive study during the past year, but is now sufficiently improved to enable him to resume his post-graduate work.

Our prospects of a good delegation from '94 are encouraging, as we have already initiated four men, Brothers Beers, Ely, Hall and Hunter, and hope to double that number in a short time. The present freshman class is the largest that has entered Brown for years, numbering 110 men. Everything connected with the university has received a new impulse at the hands of our new president. The curriculum has been changed, several new courses are offered this year, and eight instructors have been added to the faculty. Wilson Hall is nearly completed, the ground has been broken for the new gymnasium, and everything gives promise of future prosperity, due to the strength and vigor of the new blood that has been infused into the veins of "Old Brown."

Fraternally yours,

A. P. RECCORD.

Providence, Nov. 1, 1890.

NEW YORK ALPHA, CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

Fourteen men returned this fall, and immediately proceeded to do some characteristic Phi rushing. The enthusiasm over the unparalleled record in senior honors had not abated, and assisted us materially in our work. As our house was not finished, we labored under great difficulties, since our men were scattered over

the city. However, we had splendid success, and have never pledged a finer lot of men.

On the evening of October 29th we opened our new house with a grand swing. Several of the delegates to the convention were present and assisted us. Our initiates, R. V. Jones, W. H. Haggard and John Hickey, are as fine men as we could desire. They are popular fellows, good students and enthusiastic Phi's. Bro. Lloyd K. Smith, Pennsylvania Eta, affiliated with us this fall, and is one of our most popular men. We are glad to affiliate such genial, energetic Phi's as Brother Smith.

Perhaps a few words about our house would be interesting to the Fraternity. It is centrally located, being only a block from the campus. We have a spacious yard in the rear of the house, and shall build a tennis court next spring. In the basement are dining room, kitchen, bath and janitor's room. The dining room has a hard wood floor, and is a very cosy room. We expect to take our meals in the house next term. To the right as you enter a spacious hall is the reception room, and back of that a suite of large study rooms. Opening from the left side of the hall through a double arch, is the music room, and connected with that by a twelve foot opening, is a very pretty library. These two rooms form practically one, and with the hall and reception room form a large ball room. The ceilings and floors are of hard wood. In the library is a large log fire place with oak cabinets, and a grand piano with antique oak case adds materially to the beauty of the music room. With the exception of a single room opening off the back hall, all the rooms are in suites, making accommodations for nineteen men. The first and second stories are furnished in hard wood, the basement and third in Georgia pine. We have spared no expense to make our chapter house elaborate and comfortable. The happy arrangement of the parlors is due to Brother Hurd, our embryo architect.

We had hard work getting the house ready for the sessions of the Alpha Province Convention, but were amply repaid by the satisfaction we felt at entertaining such an enthusiastic assemblage in pleasant quarters.

Bro. Hurd has been elected class toastmaster. This is the second time he has held this honor. Bro. Alexander is ranking junior captain in the Cornell Regiment, and a member of the military ball committee. Four of our men are in the university band, Bro. Esterly being captain. Bros. Fenner and Hickey represent us on the university glee club, and we have two men on the banjo club, one of them being musical director. The combined clubs will make their trip this year at Easter.

We have a fraternity orchestra of four pieces, and can challenge comparison with any others of like nature. All are fine soloists, and play together with perfect time and intonation.

We wish to thank, through the SCROLL, the many Phi's who have recommended men to us. While these recommendations have not all been acted upon, we appreciate the spirit, and hope to receive many more through letters. The majority of our initiates are made known to us in this way, and it is a very satisfactory method.

Theta Delta Chi and Phi Gamma Delta have rented chapter houses, and Chi Phi will enter one some time this year. The total number of chapter houses here is fifteen. Sigma Chi has entered, and it is understood generally that Sigma Phi added her name to the list.

Notwithstanding the increase of tuition and requirements for admission to many of the courses, the number of students is the largest in the history of Cornell. The chemical building is completed and occupied, and it is the expectation to dedicate the library building next June. The Hon. Henry W. Sage has added $200,000 to his original gift of $50,000 to the department of philosophy. This swells his gifts to the university to over a million dollars. A running track has been built on the athletic field, and we think there is no finer equipped college field in the country.

We hope any Phi's wandering this way will give us a call.

W. S. GILBERT.

Ithaca, Nov. 10, 1890.

NEW YORK BETA, UNION COLLEGE.

College opened September 17, with an encouraging class of between fifty and sixty members. Owing to the increased requirements for admission quite a number were turned away, not being sufficiently prepared. Several entered the upper classes from other colleges, thus making the entire number considerable above that of last year.

New York Beta suffered a severe loss last commencement. Of her eleven active members five graduated and two left college thus leaving only four active members to return at the opening of the present year. On the evening of October 24th, however, we introduced into the mysteries of $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$ five freshmen all of whom we are confident will become true and loyal Phi Greeks.

At the last commencement we received our share of prizes and honors. We took two first prizes, one second and one third.

In this, our first letter since the convention of Alpha Province, held with New York Alpha, at Cornell, October 30th and 31st, it is our pleasure to extend to that chapter our thanks for the hos-

pitable manner in which she treated the delegates and also congratulate her on the possession of the fine new chapter house in which the convention was held.

On November 8, it was our pleasure to entertain for a short time, Bros. Lowrey, Wood, Hodge, and Whitfield of New York Epsilon. They were here with the Syracuse University foot ball eleven.

On Friday eve, December 5th, New York Beta will hold her seventh annual anniversary exercises and banquet. We shall endeavor to have as many as possible of our Alumni with us at that time, and will be glad to welcome any brothers from neighboring chapters.

Bros. Reddish, '92, Gillespie, '93, and Muller, '94, are the committee in charge, and every effort will be made to make it a success.

H. W. BRIGGS.

Schenectady, Nov. 8, 1890.

NEW YORK GAMMA, COLLEGE OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

New York Gamma, losing seven men at Commencement, had to work hard to catch up to active fraternity life. Now our active list numbers eleven and we will initiate two or three in a short time. The other night we ushered into the mystic brotherhood two '93 men, Brothers Boyd and Greene.

$\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$ in C. C. N. Y. has an uphill work to perform. She entered the college in 1884, the last fraternity to enter, and has still to get firmly established, yet has already made a reputation for herself as to the quality of her members. As evidence, not long ago a member of one of the other fraternities asked how we (Phi's) managed to secure such "nice, fine" fellows.

$\Delta\ \Delta\ \Phi$, $\Delta\ K\ E$, $\Phi\ \Gamma\ \Delta$ and $\Theta\ \Delta\ X$ are associated with us at C. C. N. Y., each with chapters numbering about a dozen.

Phi's are active in class politics, and high in the regard of their classmates; the undersigned is Vice President of the Senior Class, and Brother Timme is President of '93.

Brothers Miller and Ware are at the Columbia Schools of Mines.

Interest in our meetings is growing. This is attributed to an increase of zeal and activity on the part of the members, and the development of a closer social bond, a fuller appreciation of what fraternity life should be. We have music at our meetings, a couple of banjos and a zither, and we make out very enjoyable evenings.

New York Gamma would extend a hearty welcome to all Phi's visiting New York, and general prosperity and the genuine Phi spirit to all the chapters in Phidom.

LOUIS E. VAN NORMAN.

New York, Oct. 25, 1890.

NEW YORK EPSILON, SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter New York Epsilon has continued to prosper. We had only three men in the class of '90, and two of them were on the commencement program. Bro. Cook had the "Farewell Oration" on Class Day and Bro. Vredenburg represented us at the musical soiree of the College of Fine Arts. Bro. Crayton who graduated from the College of Medicine, is now surgeon at St. Joseph's Hospital in this city.

At the Calculus burial at the close of the spring term, Bro. Wiley was poet.

Early in the spring term we initiated Mr. Herbert L. Ellsworth, '93, who has proved to be a worthy and loyal Phi.

During the summer we were, of course, scattered, but twenty of us returned to begin college in the fall. Bro. Willis, '93, soon went to Ann Arbor, and this left nineteen men to begin work for the chapter. Our rushing season lasted about three weeks and as a result of our labors, the following were added to our list, all eminently worthy of the badge and honor of $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$. Edwin William Beadel, George Hopkins Bond, Albert Edwin Larkin, William Wilson Nichols, Arthur Jerome Smith, Allen D. Steele, George Frederick Whitfield, all of the class of '94. We have pledged one more who will soon be initiated, and have fair hopes of one or two more. We feel very proud of our delegation, and feel confident that they will make loyal Phi's.

Bro. Steele is a son of the late Dr. J. Dorman Steele, benefactor of the university, and author of Steele's "Fourteen Weeks Series."

At the beginning of the year the foot ball team was organized, and four of its members are Phi's. Games have been scheduled between Syracuse, Hamilton, and Rochester which will be played this fall. We shall also have one or two on the base ball team.

At a meeting of the *Onondagan* board, Bro. O. N. Wood, '92, was unanimously elected editor-in-chief, and, of course, we shall be glad to exchange annuals with as many as care to do so.

On October 13, Bro. Rich, '92, was appointed as an assistant on the Skaneateles lake water survey, and will be absent from college during the remainder of the fall term. Bro. Wheeler also has an office position on the same survey, but will continue his college work.

New York Epsilon looks forward to a very prosperous year, and would wish the same to all her sister chapters.

Yours in the Bond,

EDWARD D. RICH.

Syracuse, Oct. 29, 1890.

PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA, LAFAYETTE COLLEGE.

We have entered with increased enthusiasm upon the work of the term. Thus far we have received into our ranks five new men. All from the class of '94, which is the finest class that has for years come under the classic walls of old Lafayette. Those initiated are Brothers Harder, Kirkendall, Allen, Smith and Ilenbright. We justly feel proud of our new men, and are confident that they will prove valuable acquisitions to our chapter. They are popular among their classmates, and three of them will be heard from in athletics.

Brother Fox's work as captain and quarter-back of our football eleven has been the subject of favorable comment. But ever since last fall he has been troubled with a knee joint trouble, and in the last Lehigh game received such injuries that he cannot play again this season. Everyone regrets his withdrawal, for he was a tower of strength to our once fine, but now demoralized eleven. Brother Harvey is manager of our team. In conjunction with Captain Fox he has spared no time or labor to present the best team that has ever represented our college; and that he has failed is no fault of his. From the beginning of the term he has trained faithfully with the team, and probably will play end rush for the rest of the season.

At the last Commencement, Brother Colvin carried off the Latin Salutatory, making the third successive time for this prize to fall into the hands of a Phi, and Brother Young was given the Historic Oration. From present indications we expect to do as well or better next June. We regret the departure of Brother Seem, '93, from our college. Pennsylvania Zeta will find in him a member worthy, in every way, of its confidence and respect.

W. J. ROWAN.

Easton, Nov. 5, 1890.

PENNSYLVANIA BETA, PENNSYLVANIA COLLEGE.

Pennsylvania College opened Sept. 4th, fully prepared to receive all who should present themselves at her threshold for admittance. She is in a prosperous condition. True, her present Freshman class is not quite as large as that of last year, nevertheless it has come up to her expectations. The new gymnasium which is almost finished, promises to be a very excellent one and sufficiently well equipped to meet the demands of even a larger institution than ours.

We, ourselves, came back invigorated and ready to do good work for $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$. We carefully examined the new students and after long and serious consideration, decided that there were

three to whom we desired to reveal the mysteries of Φ Δ Θ. Of these we have already initiated two, C. W. Krissinger, '94, and J. K. Cook, Special. Besides these we took in J. J. Brallier who had been here last year, but who for certain reasons, could not join us until this year. We now have 13 men.

Brother Ulsh, '90, is studying medicine at the University of Pennsylvania. Kelper, '90, is also studying medicine at Columbia College. Brother Enich has entered the Junior class at the University of Pennsylvania.

The Junior class this year decided to publish an annual. Pennsylvania Beta was honored with the Editor-in-chief and one of the staff of business managers.

Brother R. B. Wolf is captain of the college foot-ball team and Brother Walker plays left tackle.

A college banjo and guitar club has been organized with Brother Sand as president and business manager. It already has a number of engagements and its prospects for the future are very bright.

The writer of this letter was a delegate at the convention of Alpha province at Cornell and was very handsomely entertained by the New York Alpha boys. Their new home is worthy to be a model for all chapter houses.

With best wishes to the fraternity, I remain

Yours in the Bond,

EDW. O. KEEN.

Gettysburg, Nov. 4, 1890.

PENNSYLVANIA GAMMA, WASHINGTON AND JEFFERSON COLLEGE.

If the first term is indicative of the success of Pennsylvania Gamma of Φ Δ Θ during the present year of '90, she will surely do herself proud. We start this year under the happiest of auspices, having just gotten into our new hall, of which we can say, there is not a better at Washington and Jefferson college. As if in celebration of this event, we have taken into our number, three new men already this term, and with good prospects to which to look forward in the future.

Our new members are C. A. McCrea, '94, R. F. Robinson, '94, and George A. Holliday, '93. Our chapter now numbers ten active members, a splendid showing for the present college year.

Among our graduates from the class of '89, John Clark was given an honorary oration at commencement, and is at present attending the Columbia Law School at New York. Frank Mathews won the first prize in Physics and Chemistry, and received "Cum Laude" on commencement. He is now attending the College of Physicians and Surgeons at New York.

Walter Hayes was also given "Cum Laude," and he is now studying law in Kansas City. Walter was the representative of Washington and Jefferson College at the Intercollegiate Oratorical Contest, at Pittsburgh, Pa., honorably acquiting himself at that contest. Charlie Williams and Joseph Ewing are attending the Western Theological Seminary, at Allegheny, Pa.

Among our active members Charles Sterrit won the first prize in German given to the Junior class. M. D. Hayes represents our Fraternity this year in the board of editors for the college annual, the *Pandora* as artist.

Washington and Jefferson College has organized a foot ball eleven this year, of which she can be proud in the future, they having won every game in which they have engaged since organization, having beaten the "Western Universities," and the East End Athletics, both of Pittsburgh, in two successive games. Many victories are looked forward to in the near future.

We are still in sadness over the death of our brother William Hazen, which occurred just before our last commencement, and on account of which our annual commencement banquet was postponed.

May the memory of his union with the "Chapter Grand" be ever near to the hearts of his brothers of Penn'a Gamma Chapter *Φ Δ Θ*.

Yours in the Bond,

M. DODGE HAYES.

Washington, Nov. 10, 1890.

PENNSYLVANIA DELTA, ALLEGHENY COLLEGE.

The new reporter is glad that his first letter to the SCROLL shall contain nothing but reports of victories for Phi Delta Theta. The opening of the college year on Sept. 16th, found us with eleven men, all enthusiastic and ready to battle for Phi Delta Theta. One great evidence of our prosperity was the fact that all our men were congenial. We started out without a discordant element and we are sure that during the year we will have a chapter which will work together for a common interest.

Thus far we have initiated four first-class men and take pleasure in introducing to the fraternity world Brothers R. W. Darragh, '93, T. A. Douthitt, '93, Chauncey F. Bell, '94, and E. W. Jaynes, '94. All our new men were rushed and two given invitations by other fraternities, but without hesitation cast their lot with us. We have secured every man we have desired; in fact, we have not lost a single man for two years, which means a great deal where fraternity strife is so bitter. Pennsylvania Delta's standing in college makes the securing of desirable men comparatively easy.

The class elections for the year have been held. We are represented in the Senior class by Brother Couse, who is Historian, and by Brother Ross who is Valedictorian. In the Junior class Brother Sisley is Ladder Orator, and Brother Black, Orator. Brother Darragh represents us as Poet of the Sophomore class. Brother John Howe is President and Brother Chauncey Bell Historian of the Freshman class. With these positions we secure the highest honors of three classes, more and better positions than any other fraternity.

The election of the *Kaldron* board of editors took place last week. Brother F. W. Black is Editor-in-chief, Brother H. A. Couse, Associate Editor, and Brother F. W. Gundry, President of the Board of Control.

Brother Whitfield represents us on the *Campus* as Exchange Editor and Brother Gundry as Chairman of the Locals.

In the evening of Sept. 26th, we gave the first reception of the season to the ladies of Kappa Alpha Theta and Kappa Kappa Gamma, which, we believe was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

The college opened this year with brighter prospects and more new students than ever before. Professor Dalton has been added to the civil engineering department. Allegheny's corps of instructors is now doubtless the best in the history of the institution.

The fraternity relations this fall have been comparatively peaceful. Sigma Alpha Epsilon now numbers twenty-two, seven having been initiated this term; Delta Tau Delta's prospects at the beginning of the year were rather gloomy but they have initiated four men, making their number ten; Phi Gamma Delta came back considerably weakened, having lost seven of their best men by graduation. They have succeeded in getting three preps, which increases their number to twelve; Phi Kappa Psi has initiated five, making their number eighteen. The new men are characteristic of the chapter here. Kappa Alpha Theta is in excellent condition, having initiated four, and now number twelve; Kappa Kappa Gamma numbers fifteen, including seven initiates.

Pennsylvania Delta was represented at the Alpha Province convention by Brothers Case, '84, Ross, '91 and Peffer, '92. They had a most enjoyable time and were very much pleased at the standing of the Province.

The chapter recently enjoyed visits from Bros. E. P. Couse, '89, who is with the *Advance Argus* at Greenville, Pa., and Brother T. C. Blaisdell, '88, who is at present in the Allegheny City high school. We are always glad to meet our alumni and would be very much gratified to see them oftener.

We are more than ever pleased with the management of the SCROLL and send greetings to our sister chapters.

Yours in the Bond,

CLARENCE ROSS.

Meadville, Pa., Nov. 6, 1890.

PENNSYLVANIA EPSILON, DICKINSON COLLEGE.

Dickinson opened her 108th year September 11, 1890, with an attendance of 250 in college, law school and preparatory department. By this time we have had opportunity to become acquainted with, and to appreciate the members of our faculty; Dr. Rogers, Prof. of English Bible and Semitic History; Prof. McIntire, Prof. of English Literature and Philosophy; and Prof. Lake, instructor in physical culture. All are young, able, enthusiastic men, and an unquestionable addition to our already strong faculty.

Pennsylvania Epsilon was successful, as usual, in her rushing, and takes great pleasure in introducing to Φ Δ Θ Bros. Northrup, '92, Kurtz, '93, and Urner, McNeil and Cleaver, '94. Bros. Edward and Frank Gardner have left college. We had the pleasure of welcoming Bros. Smith, '87, and Straw, '89, who paid us flying visits this fall. In the class elections, held shortly after college opened, Bro. Landis was elected president, and Bro. Neal, historian of '91, Bro. Evans, president of '93, and Bro. McNeil, president of '94.

The conditions and relations of fraternities here remain about as usual. Φ K Ψ is *numerically* strongest, having 22 men; B Θ Π numbers 10; Θ Δ X, 8; Σ X, 4; X Φ, 3. Σ A E has entered college, starting with eleven men. There is also a local fraternity who have endeavored for a year to enter Ψ Υ, but have not yet been successful. There is very little collision among the fraternities here, and a general good feeling prevails. Especially is this the case this year. Pennsylvania Epsilon steadily held herself aloof from any scramble for offices, preferring to be content with those honors which reluctant rivalry is compelled to yield to merit. We now number fourteen, and it is the general impression among ourselves that we were never in better condition, and, therefore, we anticipate a year successful in every way.

Rejoicing in our own prospects, we wish an equal measure of success to our sister chapters.

Yours in the Bond,

W. W. LANDIS.

Carlisle, Nov. 7, 1890.

PENNSYLVANIA ZETA, UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA.

Greeting: The year has opened very auspiciously for Pennsylvania Zeta. Losing but three men by graduation in June, we were enabled to begin earnest work immediately after the opening of college. Many of those residing in the city had continued to meet once a week during the summer vacation at the chapter house. On several occasions we had visitors to cheer us on by encouraging reports from distant chapters. So the men have returned to college full of the spirit of fraternity, and eager to uphold the honor of Phi Delta Theta at Pennsylvania.

Besides the nineteen men continued on our roll from last year, our ranks have been strengthened by the affiliation of four good men. From Pennsylvania Alpha came Bros. W. G. Young and Charles Seems, while Pennsylvania Beta sent us Bros. W. H. Ulsh and J. E. Enick. Billy Young (for so we already call him) and Ulsh have entered the medical department; Seems takes the course preparatory to medicine, and Enick makes his *debut* in the Wharton School that has attracted so much attention from financiers this summer. We are selecting our new men carefully, with a view to the future, as well as for the present. So far we have initiated two men—Edward B. Wilford, '93, and Edward S. Young, '94, both of whom we confidently expect to see carry off prizes in the athletic as well as in the honor contests of the coming year. Besides these, we are working on several other very strong men who are fairly besieged by fraternity men. Two, at least, of these we can almost claim as our own now, and of the others we still have great hope. The initiation of men at Pennsylvania proceeds rather slowly. It takes much more time to become thoroughly acquainted with new men than at colleges where the dormitory system obtains, and a good man may be comparatively unknown for half a term.

Our outlook for honors for the ensuing year is very promising. Pennsylvania Zeta's roll of honor of last year attracted some little attention, and that roll will not be shortened. We have two representatives on the *Pennsylvanian*, two on the *Record* to be published by the graduating class next June, and the business managers of each are Phi's. Bro. Philip E. Howard, besides filling positions on both the above publications, is the manager of track athletics for the year, and ought to make a good record in the high jump.

Our delegates to Alpha Province Convention, Bros. West and Howard, have returned home brim-full of enthusiasm for everything—the convention, the Fraternity, and for the general good time which the New York Alpha extended to them. As we heard their reports, each of us felt that the one great mistake

was that we had not been able to be present. Phi Delta Theta is growing steadily stronger. It is bound to become the great national Fraternity, and it behooves us, as individuals, to keep high its honor.

All the departments at the university are becoming crowded. The medical freshmen will probably number 230, the biological classes are growing entirely too large for the present accommodations, and there is a similar state of things in the other courses. There have been but few changes in the faculty since last year, and most of these are in the corps of instructors. A school of architecture has been established, which offers a four-year practical course, and qualifies the graduate for a Baccalaureate degree. The course is under the direction of Theophilus P. Chandler, Jr., and the faculty includes a number of well known specialists. Our foot ball team is making a good record. One defeat, by Princeton, up to the time of writing; Columbia, Lehigh, Virginia have succumbed—18-0, 8-0, 72-0. W. W. Taxis, bicycle champion of Pennsylvania, has entered the university, and will make good time for us at the intercollegiate meetings. In fact, the general athletic outlook for the year is brilliant.

The fraternities at Pennsylvania are pursuing the conservative tenor of their ways. The chapter of Psi Upsilon is becoming stronger. They have transferred the old medical quiz into a chapter house, and are getting in good material. Phi Kappa Psi, which was revived last year, has received four or five affiliates, but had few left in college after Ninety's graduation.

Pennsylvania Zeta has one complaint to make. Since our attempt (we hope successful) to revive the chapter at Pennsylvania, we have received visits from none of the fraternity officers, and we feel very much slighted. No one has accepted our invitation to make a call upon us. In closing, I would extend, in behalf of Pennsylvania Zeta, a hearty invitation to come and see us at 3245 Samson Street, our abode for the present.

Yours in the Bond,

ADAM SHUMWAY.

Philadelphia, Nov. 1, 1890.

PENNSYLVANIA ETA, LEHIGH UNIVERSITY.

We are sorry to record that our losses in membership last year were greater than we anticipated in the last letter, Bros. Edson, Warner, Westcott and Smith, '93, having for various reasons not returned. Bro. Westcott anticipates returning at Christmas, if his health allows. Bro. Smith has transferred his collegiate studies to Cornell.

We take pleasure in announcing the occurrence of the first marriage in the membership of Pennsylvania Eta, one who was also one of the organizers of the chapter. Bro. T. F. Newby was married on the evening of October 22d, to Miss Helen Suydam of Harrisburg, Pa. We most certainly wish the young couple life long happiness, and if the writer possesses the least particle of prophetic vision, he sees in the initiative step taken by Bro. Newby, an example which will have several immediate fraternal followers. Bro. William F. Dean who affiliated with us from Cornell, was married on the 29th of October, to Miss Etta M. Lounsbury. We extend like congratulations to them.

In the matter of new men, we have four good men pledged who will be initiated into the mysterious rights of our Fraternity at Thanksgiving.

Our representative returned very enthusiastic of the success of the Province Convention, and certainly much praise is due New York Alpha for her admirable management in regard to the meeting.

On the evening of October 17th, we were honored by a visit from Bro. President Randolph. It is superfluous to state that an enjoyable evening was spent. It is particularly conducive to fraternal spirit, to come in personal contact with the head of the Fraternity and we sincerely hope that Bro. Randolph may soon again be able to repeat his visitation.

Owing to our comparative close proximity, the frequent interchange of visits between us and the Lafayette Chapter still continue, and we have added much to the advancement of general fraternal relations.

The foot ball team this year has not given indications thus far that it is up to the standard of last year's team. But we anticipate it to retrieve before the end of season, some of the laurels lost in the beginning.

We hope that all Phi's who happen to come in this direction will not fail to call upon us, as we always are prepared and glad to welcome those in the Bond of *Φι-ζεία*.

H. WEIDENER DUBOIS.

Bethlehem, Nov. 7, 1890.

BETA PROVINCE.

VIRGINIA ALPHA, ROANOKE COLLEGE.

The Commencement at Roanoke College last June was one of the most enjoyable that we have ever had. The graduating class numbered twenty, the largest in numbers, and the strongest in intellect that old Roanoke has ever graduated. The Board of Trustees have decided to abolish class honors and to give

distinctions in place; all graduates standing high in deportment and making an average grade on their final examination of 95 or over, 100 being the standard, are awarded first distinctions. And of the distinguished number were two loyal Phis, Brothers R. M. Pence and C. A. Freed. Bro. Pence was also elected to deliver the Salutatory at the joint-debate of the Literary Societies, and was one of the contestants for the gold medal in oratory.

One of the most pleasant happenings of the Commencement was a reunion of about thirty members of Virginia Alpha. One evening we assembled in our hall, and after listening to talks and reminiscences of past college days, we sat down to a sumptuous feast where sparkling wit and laughter mingled together and the warm blood of fraternal friendship flowed through our veins, and I thought "how good it is for brethren to dwell together in unity." What a flood of recollections must have rushed in upon the minds of those, who for years had been mingling and battling with the stern realities of the world, to once more assemble in "this sacred retreat of friendship" and to live over again the past.

The boys after spending a most pleasant vacation have returned to their Alma Mater with new zeal and energy, and leading off in the Greek world with six loyal Phis. at the opening of the session; Φ Γ Δ following with three members, and Δ Τ Ω with two.

The Anti-Frat League which had boiled up so last season and threatened "eternal destruction" and annihilation to the fraternities, have cooled down, and finding that they couldn't with their scheming in secret meetings and Literary Society cliques, "bust up" the fraternities, have split up among themselves and each one gone off to nurse his own remorseful feelings, and, as one of their leaders said the other day, to "let the Fraternities alone this year."

Knowing the inactivity of the Anti's, and the light competition of our rival fraternities, we have not been in a very great hurry to "spike" the barbs, but have so far succeeded in capturing two of their number in the persons of Bro. M. B. Stickley and Bro. M. G. Killian, men who stand high in their classes, socially and intellectually, and of whom we may be proud.

Bro. T. A. Frey, class of '88, passed through Salem several weeks ago, on his way to Yale College, which he is now attending. He was reporter for our chapter several years ago, and was always a warm Phi.

Virginia Alpha sends greeting to all her sister chapters and wishes them a happy and prosperous year.

J. L. FRANTZ.

Salem, October 31, 1890.

VIRGINIA GAMMA, RANDOLPH-MACON COLLEGE.

As this is our first letter for several months, it will not be out of place to review the events at the close of last session.

The final festivities began on the 18th of June with the contest for the Sutherlin medal for oratory, which was awarded to Bro. J. H. Riddick, Jr. The two following nights were devoted to the celebrations of the Washington and Franklin Literary Societies. The former honored Bro. J. S. Zimmerman with the office of Chief Marshal and Bro. R. W. Peatross with that of Vice President. Bros. S. S. Lambeth, Jr. and B. C. Nettles received similar honors at the hands of the Franklin Society. The degree of A. M. was conferred on Bro. W. C. Vaden, and that of A. B. on Bros. E. C. Armstrong and J. H. Riddick. Thus, it will be seen that, of the ten men comprising our chapter at the close of last session, seven received conspicuous college honors.

In connection with the commencment exercises we would not omit to mention the delightful reception given us by our enthusiastic sister, Miss Maggie M. Jones. The occasion was thoroughly informal, and was heartily enjoyed by the entire chapter.

Although we sustained a great loss in the failure of Bros. Peatross, Riddick, Vaden, and G. H. Lambeth, to return to college this session, yet the six men who did return, with the addition of Bro. Ely, whose health permitted him to join us once more, constituted a chapter whose equal was not to be found in college.

After critically observing the unsuspecting "barbs," we decided to honor three of them with invitations to cast their lots among us. Of course our invitations were accepted, although they were all advised to ignore them by other fraternities. So on the night of the 28th, of September, in the presence of twelve enthusiastic Phi's, among whom were Bros. J. C. Martin, A. S. Martin, and R. C. Child, alumni of Virginia Gamma, and Bros. Miller and Patton from Virginia Delta, we revealed the mysteries of the Fraternity to S. J. Battin, W. N. Davis, and A. Sledd. After the initiation ceremonies we repaired to Lounsberry's restaurant, where we partook of a bountiful repast prepared in honor of the occasion. When the cravings of the inner man were satisfied, we were favored with short speeches by our visiting members, and the "bugs." Then the Fraternity "Rah-Rah-Rah" was given and we adjourned.

We believe that the outlook for our chapter is brighter now than at any previous time in its history. At this early period in the session comparatively few college honors have been bestowed. Thus far, Bros. Armstrong and Sledd have been elected to the editorial staff of the *Randolph-Macon Monthly*. Bro. Nettles is gymnasium instructor, and captain of the base ball team, and Bro. Sledd is instructor in mathematics.

Our relations with the other fraternities of this college are extremely cordial. The fraternal spirit, though not lacking in enthusiasm, has never been freeer from bitterness than at present. The numerical strength of the fraternities here is as follows: Beta Theta Pi, 13; Phi Delta Theta, 10; Sigma Chi, 7; Kappa Sigma, 6; Phi Kappa Sigma, 3; Kappa Alpha, 3; Alpha Tau Omega 1 (but no chapter).

We would not close without tendering our hearty congratulations to THE SCROLL for such a complete, handsome, and able number as was the last. It was indeed an honor to the Fraternity, and one that each member should be proud to offer for the inspection of other fraternity men.

S. S. LAMBETH, JR.

Ashland, Oct. 20, 1890.

KENTUCKY DELTA, CENTRAL UNIVERSITY.

The university opened Sept. 10th with a larger number of students than last year, and the coming year promises to be a most prosperous one for the institution. The B. L. course has been added to the curriculum, making three courses, B. A., B. S., and B. L. The school of theology will be established in the near future. Much interest is taken in the gymnasium, especially by the new students.

Many changes have taken place in our chapter since our last communication. In June last we initiated W. S. Jones, thus increasing our number to nine. From these nine members only three returned. Four—Bros. Lilly, Sanders, Roberts and Joffrion, graduates, and two Bros. Jacob and Mitchell, failed to return. Bro. Jacob is taking the law course at Ann Arbor, and Bro. Mitchell is reading law at his home.

We have initiated the following men this fall: C. C. Collins, '94, and N. S. Bayless, '93, Covington, Ky.; F. P. Kenney, '93, Paris, Ky.; Th. Davies, '94, Georgetown, Ky.; Wm. Crow, Jr., '92, Richmond, Ky.; Alex. George, '94, Meridian, Miss.

Bro. Crow is a son of Rev. Wm. Crow, '57, Kentucky Alpha. You will observe that we lose no men this year by graduation, and all expect to return. The amount of fraternity material this year is small in proportion to the number of new scholars, but ours are the pick of the flock, and cannot be surpassed here or elsewhere. They are interested in all matters pertaining to the Fraternity, and are full of enthusiasm. We have been using the new ritual this fall, and like it. Our hall has been improved, and we intend making further improvements soon.

Last June $\Delta\ T\ \Omega$ and $\Sigma\ A\ E$ became inactive, leaving three fraternities here now whose membership is as follows: $\Delta\ K\ E$, 11; $\Sigma\ N$, 8; $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$, 9.

The clouds that overshadowed Kentucky Delta at the beginning of the year have, by hard work, energy and determination, been dispelled, and the prospects of the chapter were never brighter.

We are all highly pleased with the SCROLL.

Hoping our sister chapters have as much cause to rejoice as we, and wishing uninterrupted success to them all, we close.

M. H. GUERRANT.

Richmond, Nov. 10, 1890.

GAMMA PROVINCE.

GEORGIA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA.

Georgia Alpha commenced the year in the University of Georgia with twelve men, two of her old members, Bros. W. W. Shephard, of Long Branch, Ga., and F. G. Govan, of Rome, Ga., after a year's absence having returned. Bro. Shephard entered the law class and Bro. Govan the sophomore class. On October the first, Bro. Robt. Johnson, of Georgia Beta, affiliated with the chapter here. Bro. Johnson is from Atlanta, Ga. Georgia Alpha had a stubborn fight for its men, for now there are eight fraternities in the university, and a great many men could not pass the strict entrance examinations, which made fraternity material scarce; but notwithstanding this, she has initiated five as fine men as have entered the university; they are Bros. Geo. Becket, of Savannah, Ga.; R. C. Cleghorn, of Summerville, Ga.; Halcot Moreno, of Gainesville, Ga.; W. T. Tuggle, of La Grange, Ga.; and W. P. Warren, of Atlanta, Ga. So Georgia Alpha numbers eighteen men, in all the equal of any fraternity here in numbers, and we can truly say in quality. This is the numerical standing of the fraternities represented at the university: $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$, 18; $X\ \Phi$, 17; $K\ A$, 18; $A\ T\ \Omega$, 12; $\Sigma\ A\ E$, 8; $\Sigma\ N$, 18; $\Delta\ T\ \Delta$, 9; $X\ \Psi$, 12. The greatest harmony prevails in fraternity circles, and all the difficulties of last year seem to have blown over. It was feared by many that the Board of Trustees would abolish fraternities, but they were allowed to remain, and this year we hope the best results will emanate from all of them, and perfect harmony prevail, so that no such fear will be again aroused. The university is in a prosperous condition, and the standard has been raised so much that now it is the equal of any of the Southern colleges. A fine brick gymnasium will soon be erected, and it will give athletics a new impetus. The chapter is in as prosperous a condition as can be wished, and her numbers are united and enthusiastic in her work. Our Saturday night meetings are fully and regularly attended, and every one looks forward to them with great pleasure. The chapter is out of debt, and has

enough money in the treasury to furnish our new rooms when we get them, which we hope will be soon. Bro. Walker King has been elected anniversarian of the Demosthenian Literary Society, the highest gift of that body, and it will redound to his and the chapter's honor. We hope that the other chapters of our Fraternity have been as fortunate as we, and that they will enter into the work of the following year with as much zest as Georgia Alpha.

ANTON POPE WRIGHT.

Athens, Oct. 29, 1890.

GEORGIA GAMMA, MERCER UNIVERSITY.

The collegiate year of 1890–1 has opened very successfully for Georgia Gamma. Although losing four of our strongest men by graduation and several others through a failure on their part, to return to the college, yet twelve of us who had returned went manfully to work and, as the result of our labors we soon had eleven of the best new men in college pledged, greatly strengthening our delegation in the class of '93 and giving a very strong one in the class of '94. It is certainly a magnificent spectacle to see eleven fine men take the Phi vows in one night, taking them, too, with every prospect of becoming worthy wearers of the white and blue, yet we witnessed such a sight about one week after we had returned, and, more-over, since then the "spikers" have been at work and in consequence of their labors the chapter gained an additional reinforcement of two men who will, no doubt, reflect honor and credit on their Fraternity. We take great pleasure in introducing to the Phi world, Brothers Harper, Forsyth, Smith, Berry, McWilliams, M., McWilliams, O., Tinsley, Bannon, Clark, A., Anderson, C., Denmark, Lester, and Pearson.

Brother Rounsaville of Georgia Beta, has affiliated with us.

Mercer University under the able management of Rev. Dr. G. A. Nunnally, is certainly making great strides forward. The curriculum will be gradually raised. The numbers, both of Professors and of students has been increased and the students begin with this year the publication of a weekly paper known as "*Mephistophelean*"—*quite large enough*—in respect to *name* at least. Brother W. M. Callaway, '91, had the honor of being first editor-in-chief. Brother C. T. Tillman, '91, has been elected the business manager for a term of one year. The paper under his able management is certain to be a success. Brother Tillman also had the honor to be elected orator from his society to deliver an address on Dec. 16th—"Founder's Day." On Friday evening, Nov. 7th, we gave a dance at the residence of Mrs. J. M. Johnston, on Orange street, which has been pronounced a suc-

cess by all who attended. We "tripped the light-fantastic toe" until a late hour and then dispersed, feeling very grateful to our hostess for the many favors shown our Fraternity and feeling assured that our entertainment had been a success. The fraternities here are, generally, in a very prosperous condition and there is very little of that ill-feeling which seems to have become so common at a number of colleges. We give their numerical strength below: Α Τ Ω, 18; Κ Α, 20; Φ Δ Θ, 26; Σ Ν, 11; Σ Α Ε, 15. With best wishes for sister chapters,

Yours in the Bond,

T. W. HARDWICK.

Macon, Nov. 8, 1890.

TENNESSEE ALPHA, VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY.

With regret we noticed that our chapter was one of the many that failed to have a letter in the first number of the fifteenth volume of the SCROLL. Tennessee Alpha wishes rather to be among those never failing to be represented in the chapter correspondence, and especially anxious was your reporter to have a letter in the October SCROLL, since that is the time when a review of each chapter's work for the preceding year should be given.

We know that it is now too late to fill the blank made by our unwritten letter, but that the blank be not in our chapter's historical records, a short review of Tennessee Alpha's condition and progress during the past year will not be out of place here.

The year 1889–'90, though marked by more victories than defeats, was far from being the most successful in the history of our chapter. 'Tis true we made several steps forward, especially to be mentioned is the purchase of a lot upon which we hope to build a chapter house. Although new material from which to draw recruits was unusually scarce, there was no danger of our dying a natural death, being eighteen strong; nor were we afraid of being overcome by our rivals; yet the low tide of enthusiasm which must come to the most zealous almost reached the shores of Tennessee Alpha and our chapter ark, for a time, seemed in danger of being cast upon a shoal; but the ebbing tide tarried not and the rushing waters came swiftly back and lifting our ship clear of the sands sent her proudly sailing on the mission of the Bond of Phi Delta Theta.

The medals received last commencement by members of Tennessee Alpha were not enough to make us appear avaricious, nor were honors heaped upon us with such profusion as to spoil us, still we are proud to have the records show that Claude Waller received the Founder's medal in law and that the Young medal for oratory was awarded to J. R. Wood. The Alumni

orator, J. A. Harrison, '81, and the Poet, E. J. Crockett, '88, are Phi's. The same honors for next commencement were conferred upon two of Tennessee Alpha's Alumni—Robt. Marr, orator; R. E. Crockett, '87, poet.

The following positions of honor were given to members of Phi Delta Theta: Waller Deering, adjunct professor in Teutonic languages; John Daniell, (Ala. Alpha), adjunct-professor in physics; P. M. Jones, fellow and assistant in natural history and geology; W. A. Webb, assistant in English and mathematics. The honor deserving especial mention, however, was the election of A. R. Carter, of Louisville, Ky., to a place on the Board of Trust. Carter is the youngest member of the Board, having graduated in '89. We justly feel proud of this honor, for Allen Carter is as true and loyal to Phi Delta Theta as he is to his *Alma Mater.*

By graduation we lost three members last commencement: Claude Waller, now practicing law in Nashville; N. A. Gibson, attorney-at law, Staunton Depot, Tenn.; Stewart Brooks, Mobile, Ala., attorney-at-law. E. I. Crockett resigned his position as assistant in English, and is now in the real estate business in Pueblo, Colorado. Collins Waller, Morganfield, Ky., of the Freshman class was the only undergraduate that failed to return. F. P. Turner, who has been teaching school for the last two years, has returned to complete his course in the academic department this year. S. D. Thach, who has been practicing medicine most successfully during the past year, has returned to the medicine department and will complete his course this year.

No attempt at an analysis of the causes that brought about such a want of enthusiasm in Tennessee Alpha, during last year, will be made, but it shall suffice to say that fraternity spirit in general was at a very low ebb at Vanderbilt, as indeed was all life and college spirit. This latter can be attributed to the unusually small number of students in the academic department, the freshman class being the smallest for ten years and the senior the smallest in the history of the University.

The year 1890–'91 opened with bright prospects for Vanderbilt. The largest senior class since its foundation and the best freshmen, quality and quantity both being considered, have been enrolled. Equally bright were the prospects for Phi Delta Theta. Thirteen as zealous workers in the cause as were ever gathered together had returned ready and anxious to further the interests of our chapter. Never was there a more congenial band of brothers than those constituting Tennessee Alpha; and few were the obstacles except such as are needed to add zest to the work that lay in our path. The field was ripe with the harvest, and we have been busily engaged gathering in such sheaves as come up to the standard of Phi Delta Theta. Conservatism being

the chapacteristic work of Tennessee Alpha, we have initiated only three new men, all of which were spiked by several of our rivals. We are glad to announce to all Phis the names of James Hanna, Franklin, Tenn.; Louis Clark Renfro, Elmira, California, and Robert A. Weaver, Memphis, Tenn.

The relative standing of the nine fraternities at Vanderbilt is about the same as it has been for several years. A notable fact is the large number of transfers that have come to the various fraternities this season, seven having received additions from this source. Tennessee Alpha's affiliates are as follows: O. F. Cook, Ga. Beta, E. H. Hawkins and T. V. Copeland, Ala. Gamma. All have entered the Biblical department.

The Dekes entered Vanderbilt last fall and now have twenty members, having initiated more this year than any of the other fraternities. They were especially strengthened by their affiliates.

A weekly bearing the name of the *Hustler* the paper that was published here during the session 1888–'89, has been revived. The present *Hustler* is under a different management from its predecessor, and it is very desirable that it may continue to thrive. Being run in the interest of the whole university it fills a need at Vanderbilt, and is calculated to do much to keep college life and spirit active.

The present increased attendance at Vanderbilt in a large measure is due to a number of competitive scholarships and prizes which have recently been offered to those entering the freshman class. Besides these, ten one hundred dollar fellowships have been established, and are eligible to graduates of other institutions who may wish to pursue post graduate studies.

Tennessee Alpha takes pleasure in expressing her thanks to the editor of the SCROLL for the many additions of interest it has received while under the present management.

PAUL M. JONES.

Nashville, Nov. 4, 1890.

ALABAMA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA.

In my capacity as reporter for Alabama Alpha, I take pleasure in writing this my first letter to the SCROLL.

Our last Commencement marked the close of a most eventful and prosperous year for Alabama Alpha. In the graduating class of last June, we were most worthily represented by Brothers Horton, Miles, Murphy and Smith; and in the Law department by Brothers Crook, Elmore and McAdory, all of whom were "gallant Phi's," and from whom we were loth to part. But we are glad to note that Brother Horton is with us again; having been elected sub-professor of English and Latin.

The rush of students to the University of Alabama this year, has been greater than the record of any past year shows. The institution is indeed prosperous. General Clayton, our much beloved and honored President, died at the beginning of last session, and Dr. Wyman was promoted by the trustees to acting President, which position he filled until the close of the year when General R. C. Jones of Wilcox, was elected as our new President.

Much to our regret Brother Wright will not be with us this year, having accepted the position of assistant professor in the Military Academy at Livingston, Ala. Our ritualistic service has been used this year to introduce into the Phi world, Brothers Burke of '92, Jacksonville, Ala., and Lyons of '94, Mobile, Ala., and in the Law department, Brother Porter of Birmingham, Ala., all of whom we heartily commend to the Phi world at large. We also affiliated Brother Gallion of Alabama Gamma. We are glad to have with us in the Law class, Brothers W. B. Palmer of '89, and V. W. Jones of '86.

Brother Quarles paid us a flying visit at the opening of the session. He is regarded as one of the most promising young lawyers in Alabama.

The most enjoyable event of Commencement week was the $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$ ball and banquet given at the Washington and McLester Hotels, an account of which has already been given. A large number of our alumni in attendance at our State Convention were present, and helped to make the occasion a most enjoyable one.

This coming year bids fair to be one of successes for the boys in our chapter. We have men whose standing in college and society is sure to bring honor to our chapter and upon all Phi's. Our chapter now numbers 25 and from present prospects it will not be long before there will be additions to this number.

The election of Junior officers on the 20th of this month caused no little stir. But as usual, $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$ came out on top, getting more high officers than any other fraternity in college.

With brotherly love and many good wishes for Phi Delta Theta's success, we greet our sister chapters.

Yours in the bond of $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$,

C. A. STILLMAN, JR.

Tuskaloosa, Oct. 26, 1890.

DELTA PROVINCE.

LOUISIANA ALPHA, TULANE UNIVERSITY.

This time last year found a little band of prospective Phi's awaiting anxiously to be installed as the charter members of La. Alpha of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$. Since the chapter has come into existence, and by judicious nurture she has steadily grown in strength and importance, so that to-day she stands as a worthy representative of our Fraternity in Tulane. During the year her intercourse with the other Tulane chapters has been of the most friendly order, owing to her policy of minding her own business, and of not trying to pluck the mote out of her brother's eye, until she has first ascertained that she is not burdened with a beam in her own.

The chapter this year has the following upon her active roll; Lits., H. B. Gessner, post graduate; F. P. Blake, G. L. Tebank, E. P. Brady, R. T. Hardie, and H. P. Jones, '93; J. R. Conniff, '94. Meds., Marion Souchon, J. J. D'Aquin, C. Mils Brady and C. H. Tebault, Jr.

Bros. Chas. W. Cosby and W. F. Hardie did not matriculate for session '90–'91. They, however, assume the duties of actives and are still with us.

The name of Bro. John Robinson Conniff greets you as that belonging to a new and loyal Phi. October 8, 1890, is a date memorable to Bro. Conniff, and to Louisiana Alpha, for then Bro. Conniff became a Phi. Bro. F. P. Blake bears the cicatrices of an old Greek. Many moons ago, he saw the beams of the Grecian light from the mountain top of Sewanee. We must thank Tennessee Beta for so loyal a Phi and royal an affiliate. Bro. Blake is taking an electrical course in Tulane.

Bro. C. P. Williams has never returned to us from his home in Mansfield, Louisiana. Bro. J. F. Dupuy, Jr., is attending Steven's Institute. Bro. H. R. Denis has unfortunately been driven from his chapter and studies by the serious condition of his eyes, and is now recuperating at his summer home at Pass Christian, Mississippi. We hope to have him in our midst at some early date.

The visiting Phi's attending the Medical College are, Bros. D. F. Talley, (resident student at Charity Hospital), M. O. Burke, C. L. Horten, Alabama Alpha; C. H. Trotter, S. L. Postell, and Bro. Sessions, Mississippi Alpha; Bro. Phillips, Virginia Beta. In the early part of October, we were pleased to have a visit from Bro. W. S. Slack, of Tennessee Beta.

The beauty of our hall has been enhanced by the remodeling of the hall itself, and by the addition of a Brussels carpet.

C. H. TEBAULT, JR.

New Orleans, Nov. 7, 1890.

TEXAS GAMMA, SOUTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

Texas Gamma comes again with a report of which she is justly proud. Our correspondent chapters have never had occasion to remind us "what we are here for," and we intend to maintain this attitude.

The large increase of students in the university inspires us with hopes of higher achievements than any in the past. The second day's enrollment was nearly half a hundred more than any former year, and a lively matriculation has been kept up ever since. There is "timber" in the forest that will suit our purpose; we will get it at maturity.

Six of the undergraduates of last Commencement are with us, more zealous than ever in Phi Delta Theta's cause. At our last meeting we added another to our number, L. L. Thomas, '92, who is in every respect worthy of bearing the sword and shield. We take pleasure in introducing such a man to the Phi world.

The first regular meeting of the Alamo and San Jacinto societies resulted for us as follows: In the Alamo, Brother Boyce was elected President; in the San Jacinto, Brother W. D. Gordon holds the gavel. A due part of the minor offices was received by Phi's. On the *Monthly* staff we have the following brothers: W. D. Gordon, editor-in-chief, W. Boyer, exchange editor, J. A. Fain, Jr., business manager. It will be remembered that Brother Kilgore was chief last year, Brother W. L. Dean, exchange editor, Brother S. W. Dean, general business manager. The Phis are represented on the Alamo intermediate debate by J. A. Fain, Jr., leader and G. W. Graves, second.

Commencement last, was a time of honest triumph for Texas Gamma. Brother Kilgore won first honors. Brothers W. L. Dean taking the A. B. degree, tied an A. M. for second. Brother Sansom wore off the Junior orator's medal, his strongest opponent being a Phi. We mention with pride further honors of the class of '90 on a broader arena: Brother Kilgore is professor of mathematics in Centenary College, Lampassas; Brother Mathis is principal of a good school at Valley View; Brother W. L. Dean no sooner reached home, than the good people of Madison County nominated him for County Attorney. He has no opposition, and has spent the summer preparing himself for the office in Nov. S. W. Dean is at his brother's side.

While the excited Prep. was screaming loudest before a large audience on the first night of commencement, June 5th, Texas Gamma Phi's with their gentle friends, were enjoying one of the rarest, and most excellent banquets known of at the residence of Brother Frank Marrs. How we would fain speak of it at length, but for being hedged by what would otherwise appear a healthy

limit to letters like this! Brother Boyce gave the final banquet. His palatial home four blocks east of the university, was a fit place for crowning the faithful soldiers of sword and shield with their last joy. We all partook of one of the richest boards ever spread before in Georgetown. Let it be remembered by us as a time when love paused to sigh at parting.

JOHN A. FAIN, JR.

Georgetown, Oct. 20, 1890.

EPSILON PROVINCE.

OHIO ALPHA, MIAMI UNIVERSITY.

Miami opened this year with one change in the faculty, W. J. Greer, '89, having been elected principal of the preparatory department, vice Prof. Parrot, who resigned last June, and is now studying in Germany. Mr. Greer is a resident of Oxford, and a member of Beta Theta Pi.

The prospect of Ohio Alpha is brighter this year than it was a year ago, and a bright future is before us. Our membership at present is eight—3-'91, 1-'92, 2-'93, 2-'94. On the evening of October 18 we made our last addition to the chapter, and it is with pleasure that we introduce our new Phi brother, Paul W. Smith, whose father, P. W. Smith, was a member of Michigan Alpha, and is now a prominent lawyer of this place. After the initiation a "spread" was enjoyed, and articles were disposed of according to the following menu:

Light Conversation,
Tid-bit of Sir William,
Ye Infant Cucumber,
Cheese Straws,
Wafers,
Sweet Effervesence of Acidulated H_2O,
Cake, Grapes,
Immature Cigars.

Harry Weidner, '88, and W. J. Rusk, '89, aided in all the work of the evening.

Beta Theta Pi lost several men by graduation last June, and thus far they have made no addition; they have four members. Delta Kappa Epsilon has nine members, four having been initiated this year. And right here it may be well to say that the chapters here are on the best of terms, all reports by outsiders to the contrary notwithstanding.

A musical club has been organized in which are two banjos, a banjorine, two guitars and a mandolin. The first public performance was given on the evening of October 6, at the college Y.

M. C. A. reception. Four of the six members of the club are Phi's.

We acknowledge kind donations from Bros. Harry Weidner, '88, and Sam. W. Townsend, '89.

WALTER C. HARRIS.

Oxford, Oct. 24, 1890.

OHIO BETA, OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

This year opened bright and prosperous for the Ohio Wesleyan and for Ohio Beta. With an increased faculty, a large attendance, and the foundations being laid for a new chapel to cost about $75,000, we have every prospect of a year which will excel all former ones.

On Wednesday evening of commencement week we held our second annual banquet. Although slightly saddened by the fact that we were to be soon separated from seven brothers of the graduating class, yet we were cheered by the pleasant faces and witty toasts of so many of our alumni, and our banquet was decidedly a great success. Bro. W. E. O'Kane presided as symposiarch, and after a fine menu had been served, Bro. A. V. Evans, on behalf of the chapter, delivered an address of welcome, after which the following toasts were responded to: "Lives of Great Men," by Rev. R. H. Callahan, '84; "Our Loyal Sisters," by Bro. J. A. Thompson, '89; "Spirit of Phi Delta Theta," by Bro. W. E. Miller, '87; "College Days," by Bro. Scott Bonham, '82; "Life as an Alumnus," by Bro. T. H. McConica, '81; and "Bond and Free," by Dr. J. E. Brown, '84.

At the beginning of this term we were deeply pained to learn of the death of one of our graduates of last year. Orin. G. Callahan had passed away, and left us but the memory of his unselfish, devoted life. He had been in college and the preparatory department altogether nearly six years, and during that time made such an impress on our lives that time can never erase. He was an exceptional student, a fine orator, a pure, noble man, and, above all, a brother whom none knew but to admire and love. The loss of seven men by graduation last spring left us rather weak numerically, but we were reinforced this term by the affiliation of Brothers Guy Manning, from Washington and Lee, and Brother Wilson Carter, of Buchtel. While we sympathize with Washington and Lee and Buchtel chapters for the loss of these brothers, yet we most heartily welcome them to our chapter home, and will try to make chapter life pleasant as possible for them here.

We have initiated but one man this term, Brother Roy Gasser, of Paulding, O., being the victim. After his initiation we adjourned to the Hoffman parlors and held a most enjoyable banquet with

several of our alumni and pledged men. Bro. Prof. O. W. Pierce acted as symposiarch, and a very pleasant series of toasts were given, the new initiate responding to the sentiment "I came as a stranger and you took me in."

We have pledged several men this term, but have been very conservative in our choice, choosing only men in whom we find scholarship and goodfellowship combined.

We have at present twelve men in the chapter, and have to meet the following: *Φ K Ψ*, 14 men; *Δ T Ω*, 12; *Σ A E*, 12; *Δ T Δ*, 10, *Φ Γ Δ*, 9; *Σ X*, 6; *B θ Π*, 5; *X Φ*, 3.

Bro. O. W. Pierce, from Hilldale College, is now a member of the musical faculty, and while not in the chapter, yet we are glad to have him amongst us.

R. D. HOLLINGTON.

Delaware, Nov. 8, 1890.

OHIO GAMMA, OHIO UNIVERSITY.

The fall session of Ohio University opened here on September 2, and five good and loyal brothers returned to bear aloft the standard of Ohio Gamma Chapter. While we made no initiations last term we were not idle, but pledged two good men, and now we have to announce the initiation of these two with four others—making our chapter roll eleven in all, and a more enthusiastic chapter of Phi's would be hard to find. It is with much pleasure that we now introduce to you, Bros. Clawson, DeCamp, Foster, Bothwell, Frank and Ralph Super, the last two being sons of President Super.

Last year this chapter furnished one member of the graduating class—S. H. Johnson. He is now reading law with Hon. Chas. Townsend, of this place. May success crown his efforts. This year the Senior class consists of twelve members, and Phi Delta Theta furnishes five of the number. Last year Bros. Atkinson and Gore each successively held the position of editor-in-chief on *The Current* staff; Bros. Blake and Welch represented the Athenian and Philomathean Literary Societies as orators in the June contest. On the evening of June 23, Ohio Gamma gave a banquet at Berry's parlors, to our lady friends and alumni. Among those present from abroad were Hon. T. A. Jones, Senator Lowry, G. L. Pake and others. Toasts were responded to by alumni and members, and altogether the occasion was one of the most enjoyable in the chapter's history. During commencement week, a daily paper called *The Yell* was published, and we were represented on the staff by your reporter.

College opened with a largely increased attendance. The same corps of Professors are retained. The buildings have been repaired, the campus improved, much new apparatus added, and

in every respect the college is in a better condition, and its prospects are brighter than ever before.

Our chapter was never in a more excellent condition than at present. With five men in the Senior class, two in the faculty, a good chapter hall, and faithful alumni, Ohio Gamma is united and happy.

C. F. BLAKE.

Athens, Oct. 13, 1890.

OHIO EPSILON, BUCHTEL COLLEGE.

Buchtel College opened this year with the largest Freshman class that ever entered. The class is also composed of good material. Ohio Epsilon has been very successful. Every member is filled with enthusiasm and Phi spirit and the result of our labor was shown two weeks ago when we initiated three of the most promising young men in the college, H. H. Hollenbeck, Harry Snyder and Carl Webster.

As we are a college institution we have considered it our first duty to band together men with scholastic aspirations; men of character and dignity and we can assure our brethren in Phi Delta Theta that this year's acquisitions are by no means below our standard.

Our chapter now numbers fourteen active members, the largest male chapter in the institution. Brother Van Orman is not in college now but expects that his health will permit his entering in the winter term.

We lost one member by graduation last year and Brother Carter, '92, has gone to Ohio Wesleyan University and is now an active member of Ohio Beta. The chapter has also pleged Walter Griffin, '95, who, unhappily, is at present confined by illness to his home in Norwalk, O.

Brother O. C. Pixley, '91, has been chosen editor of the *Akron City Times*. Brother A. A. Kohler, M. D., '87, is gymnasium director at Buchtel in place of Brother Cone, '89, resigned.

The first week in September, Brother F. S. Pixley, '87, formerly editor of the *Akron City Times* and *Akron Daily Telegram* was called to Chicago to occupy the editorial chair of the *Chicago Mail*. The resident members of Ohio Epsilon tendered him a reception and banquet at the Hotel Buchtel prior to his leaving for his new field of labor. The latter part of September the chapter enjoyed the hospitality of Brother Van Orman. This was the first time that the whole chapter were assembled together since last March before the long and serious illness of Brother Van Orman. On the 18th of October, the chapter together with its lady friends repaired to the home of O. C. Pixley, '91, to re-

mind him of his birthday. The evening passed off most enjoyably.

Phi Delta Theta cannot truthfully be said to have a peer at Buchtel. In numerical strength alone are we approached. Our number of initiates is not the largest, nor are we longest established, but the proportion of graduates to initiates is an item not to be ignored. The following is the standing of the fraternities at Buchtel:

	When established.	*Initiates.*	*Graduates.*	*Not graduates.*	*Present membership.*	*Pledged*
Delta Tau Delta	1873	124	35	79	10	1
Phi Delta Theta	1875	83	32	37	14	1
Lone Star (local)	1882	42	10	20	12	0
Kappa Kappa Gamma (ladies)	1875	85	13	55	17	4
Delta Gamma (ladies).....	1882	85	13	58	14	2

LEROY C. ELBERHARD.

Akron, Nov. 8, 1890.

OHIO ZETA, OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.

With the commencement exercises attending the graduation of the class of '90, the college year closed. A year of success for Ohio Zeta also came to an end. Most of us spent our summer vacation at our homes, but Bros. Lindenberg, '94, and Rane, '91, passed the greater part of their time at Huronia Beach, on Lake Huron.

Bro. Bloom, '93, carried an engineer's outfit all summer for his elder brother, Bro. J. G. Bloom, C. E., '89, who is assistant chief engineer for the Ceredo Land Association of Ceredo, West Virginia.

Although five brothers have left us since June 25, nine of us have returned to repeat our successful work of last year, and the present indications are that we will be far more successful. Last year seven men, five of the class of '93, and two of the class of '94 were initiated, but we have entered upon the nine months campaign with snap and vigor, already pledging five men since September 17th. Two of these five were initiated last Saturday evening. I therefore introduce to the good will of the Fraternity Bro. Fred W. Mathias, '93, and Bro. Edward Thomas, '93, both of Toledo, Ohio.

Since the last letter to the SCROLL, we have initiated four men, but these initiations took place last year, however, as the last letter to the SCROLL was in the April number. In introducing these four men, Bro. Theo. Lindenberg, '94, of Columbus; Bro. Chas. H. Farber, '94, also of Columbus; Bro. J. B. Kuhn, '93, of Bridgeport, Ohio, and Bro. A. L. Sedwick, '93, of Blaine,

Ohio, I beg the Fraternity at large to extend to them, also to the two men I mentioned as being initiated last week, the right hand of fellowship.

Bro. S. E. Bennett, D. V. M., '90, is now in Hanover, Germany, making a more thorough study of his profession. Bro. William McPherson, B. Sc., '88, visited us on October 2d, and although his stay was a short one, we gave him a hearty shake of the hand, and tried to make him recall the days when he did the "spiking," which I think we succeeded in doing.

Bro. McPherson is now Professor of Chemistry, Physics and Rhetoric in the Toledo High School. Bro. Lawrence Brundage, M. D. has succumbed to the inevitable, and Miss Lydia Fleming of Xenia, O., is now "Mrs. Brundage." We wish them life-long happiness and good cheer. Bro. Samuel Morrison, '91, one of our initiates, but who attended Indiana Zeta last year, is again one of our number. The attendence this year is far above that of last year, and of course, a greater field has been prepared for us to show "what we are made of."

The boys express their appreciation of Bro. J. E. Brown's efforts when they say of the October SCROLL; "If it is the first and most difficult number to get out, it is certainly one of the most interesting we have ever had the pleasure of reading." I feel quite certain that this feeling will take hold of any true and loyal Phi when he slowly and thoughtfully reads its pages. In fact, a very common query throughout the year is "When will the SCROLL be out?" This, I think, is conclusive evidence that we all anxiously await and hail the arrival of the greatest of fraternity journals. Ohio Zeta wishes to congratulate her sister chapters upon the successful work of last year, and also to express her delight at the manner in which love and loyalty to $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$ abound in the number of letters under "chapter correspondence."

On Thursday, Oct. 23d, Bro. Prof. R. D. Bohannan, Virginia Beta, '76, was called to Connecticut, by the serious illness of his wife, but before he reached her, she had passed away. We received the sad news on the following Saturday. We were grieved to think that Bro. Bohannan had suffered an irreparable loss, because he has been a kind and affectionate and fatherly Phi to us, and whatever caused him to suffer, also caused us to be sorrowful. Ohio Zeta joins Virginia Beta in sorrow and sympathy for Bro. Bohannan. At the last meeting of this chapter the following resolutions were passed: WHEREAS, it has been deemed fiting by an all wise Providence to remove from among us, one, Mrs. R. D. Bohannan, who was as a friend, be it *Resolved*, That we extend to our sorrowing brother our sincere sympathy, and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to our brother; that they be spread upon the minutes of the meeting and also published in THE SCROLL.

In accordance with the last clause of the resolutions, this copy is forwarded for publication.

FRANK D. ASKEW.

Columbus, Oct. 3, 1890.

INDIANA ALPHA, INDIANA UNIVERSITY.

The year has opened very auspiciously for Indiana University, the attendance excelling in point of numbers that of any previous year in the history of the institution. This is only a renewed evidence of the substantial growth and prosperity that has characterized the university. It is estimated that the freshman class will number 120 before the end of the year. There are seventy members in the present senior class. No other senior class in the past has ever numbered more than forty-eight. The new stone library building will be completed and ready for use at the beginning of next term. It is one of the most beautiful and unique college buildings in the country.

With '90 we lost two good men, Bro. W. R. Cravens, who is now reading medicine at his home in Bloomfield, Ind., and Bro. H. W. Ruoff, now attending the Harvard Divinity School.

We entered the field this year with eight enthusiastic men. The contest for men was a warm one. We met with stern opposition at every point, but fortune favored us, and we came off the field with flying colors, not having lost a single spike. Six of the most desirable men who entered I. U. this year are now proudly wearing the sword and shield. We take pleasure in introducing to the Fraternity, Robert Hicks, Isadore Feibleman, and Hoyt King, of Indianapolis; Will Prow, of Petersburg; Joseph Giles, of Bloomington; and Dudley M. Vance, of Richmond.

We have five seniors, three juniors, three sophomores, and three freshmen. Bros. Lewis and Watts, who were with us last year, will be back next term. Bro. Cubberly was selected as treasurer of the lecture association for the year, and Bro. Bamberger is on the editorial staff of the *Student*.

The different fraternities here have new members as follows: $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$, 6; $\Phi\ K\ \Psi$, 4; $\Delta\ T\ \Delta$, 4; $B\ \Theta\ \Pi$, 3; $\Sigma\ X$, 4; $\Phi\ \Gamma\ \Delta$, 1; $K\ A\ \Theta$, 15; $K\ K\ \Gamma$, 7.

The most pleasant social event of the year was a reception given to our lady friends in the Phi hall on the evening of Oct. 24. The hall presented a beautiful appearance, having been greatly improved by the addition of several new pictures and decorations. It was thoroughly enjoyed, and was pronounced a success by all present. The chapter gave several socials last

year, and in so doing established a reputation in the social line that places her in the front ranks with her rivals. But it must not be supposed for a moment that we allow our social enjoyments to interfere with our work. Our class-standing and literary record compare favorably with the very best.

The chapter was called upon during the summer to mourn the loss of one of her truest members. It is with sorrow that we announce the death of Bro. W. H. Foster, of the class of '88. In his death the chapter looses a loyal member, and the world a true man. We regret to announce the death of Mrs. W. Holmes. We extend to Bro. Holmes our most sincere and heartfelt sympathy in this the saddest affliction that could have befallen him.

We hailed the October SCROLL with admiration. It was a splendid number. Hoping that it may continue so prosperously,

I am, fraternally,

W. W. FRENCH.

Bloomington, Oct. 31, 1890.

INDIANA BETA, WABASH COLLEGE.

September 10th, college opened with most of Ind. Beta's forces in the ranks. Since that date we have been hard at work striving with all our latent powers to raise the fabric of the Fraternity's standard, even higher than that which was attained last year, and with success equal to the labor spent. The desirable men are an exceedingly scarce article in the freshman class and even these few were mostly wedded to some fraternity before their coming to college. However, by the return of Bros. McNutt, formerly with '90 but now with '92, and Garner, of '93, and by the initiation of Wilbur C. Abbott, '92, and Chas. S. Little, 94, our force has been augmented to fifteen. These two new brothers, who were initiated Oct. 3rd and 7th, respectively, we take great pleasure in introducing to the Fraternity at large. We might further state that Bro. Abbott entered college the middle of last year, and, although five "spikes" were driven deep into him, he joined no "frat." as his return this year was uncertain; during the latter part of the year we pledged him pending his return. This year we make this statement as sometimes it is not the greatest compliment either to the person in question or the chapter to initiate an upper class man. Without vanity on our part or flattery to our brother we think that we gained the best man '94 presented. We are stronger in numbers than for three or four years and it is the testimony of those who profess to know that respecting *quality*, the chapter has been strengthened in a greater proportion than numerically even. We give the numerical strength of the six fraternities here: *Β Θ Π*,

12; $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, 15; $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$, 13; $\Phi K \Psi$, 13; ΣX, 9; $\Lambda \Theta \Phi$, (local) 11. The fraternities here are on the whole in very good condition. The number of men taken into them this year has been very small on account of the fewness of good men, and all the Wabash chapters seem to be growing more conservative. We are sorry to report the absence of Bro. Lex Cavins who was compelled to drop out of college for this year. He is employed in the general offices of the I. & I. S. R. R. at Sullivan, Ind.

Indiana Beta feasted in true Phi style a few weeks since in honor of Bro. Abbott's and Little's debute into the arena of Phi Delta Theta. Bro. Wilson, "Our Willie," acted as toastmaster in his unexcelled style. The banqueting hall of the La Veta Hotel was made to resound with Phi songs and the mirth produced as best the true Greek is able. *H H* more commonly known as "Pie Eater," a Sophomore Society, organized here last year, of which Bro. Martin is a leading member, was most cheerfully toasted. We are represented on the foot ball team this year by Bro. Martin, '92, in the rush line, McNutt, '91, half-back, and Little '94 substitute.

Simon Yandes, of Indianapolis, recently added $30,000 to Wabash's Endowment, making a total of $130,000 that the institution has received from this donor within two years. Professors Palmer and Kuersteiner retired last June and their chairs have been filled by Prof. Smith, Ph. D., lately the assistant professor of chemistry in the University of Edinburgh, and Prof. King who takes the chair of modern languages.

We are highly pleased with the manner in which the SCROLL is managed and edited, and we assure Bro. Brown that his successful efforts to make the SCROLL the best of fraternity journals are fully appreciated by Indiana Beta. Greeting to all Phis everywhere and especially to the newly initiated Phis of '94.

ROBT. H. CROZIER.

Crawfordsville, Nov. 1, 1890.

INDIANA GAMMA, BUTLER UNIVERSITY.

Since our last report, more improvements for Butler have been decided upon by the Board of Directors. We are to have a Science Hall, costing $50,000, to be built and equipped by the liberal donations solicited by the agent of the University. For some years the financial condition of the institution has not been the best, to say the least, but is now growing healthily, and the management hopes to place Butler in a few years, on a level with the best Colleges in the west.

Foot ball is the all-absorbing topic just at present. Last year we took the championship of Indiana without a point being scored against us. This year, desperate efforts are being made

by the other Colleges to wrest it from us, but, thus far, the team has not lost a game.

Phi Delta Theta still holds her own among the Greeks. Some weeks ago we initiated Bro. Alfred Lauter, '92. At last meeting Bro. James Lucas, '94, passed through the ordeal. We now enroll sixteen members. Delta Tau Delta has eight in the college classes and five graduate students. Sigma Chi has a good chapter of seven men. Kappa Kappa Gamma enrolls eleven. Perfect harmony and good will reigns among the fraternities.

Bro. Lacy is President of the College Y. M. C. A., and Bro. Sellers is President of the Pythonian Society, the stronghold of the Phi's.

Bro. Maclin of Indiana Beta spent Sunday with us. Visiting brethren are always welcome. With best wishes for the SCROLL'S success, I am yours in the Bond,

R. F. DAVIDSON.

Irvington, Nov. 10, 1890.

INDIANA DELTA, FRANKLIN COLLEGE.

In our first letter of this year to the SCROLL, Indiana Delta sends greeting to sister chapters. Franklin College has cause for rejoicing. Not only is the college growing in attendance but facilities are now offered as at no previous time. The new library and science rooms are finished. The mathematical room is completing and in the future an observatory will be seen looking heavenward. Indiana Delta likewise has cause for rejoicing. But mingled with that joy comes a feeling of sorrow at the loss of our five brothers who graduated last year. A. R. Stark and H. M. Bell, '90, are in theological seminaries, the former at Rochester, N. Y., the other at Louisville, Ky. O. V. Nay, '90, is engaged in a special line of reading and is teaching. J. V. Deer, '90, secured a handsome vote as candidate for Representative in the late election. A. A. Alexander, '90, is now one of Franklin's successful business men. Besides the loss of these brothers we also miss from our ranks, C M. Curry and W. P. Garshwiler, both teachers and the former now principal of the Whiteland schools. W. G. McColley is now a member of Indiana Gamma. H. W. Taylor has gone west on account of ill health.

We are happy to say that our mode of work has been much improved during the year and that the standard for admission into the mysteries of $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$ has been raised. With pleasure then we introduce to the fraternity world R. D. Trick, '92, as our only new member. Others of like merit will come. We also again welcome E. E. Tyner, '91, late principal of the Whiteland schools.

Brother E. L. Branigin, '92, delivered an address before the Baptist State Convention, lately held at Muncie, which was considered one of the best of the week. Every alumnus as well as the present membership of Indiana Delta will be pleased to learn that C. S. McCoy, '87, has been advanced to the highest position as computator at the Naval Observatory, Washington, D. C. His ability is highly spoken of in the Capital of our nation. E. M. Fisher, '89, is still pursuing a special course in botany. Prof. C. E. Goodell, '89, is taking a special course of reading at Cornell University. W. S. Holman, '70, has been returned as Congressman from the fourth Indiana District.

A few evenings since we welcomed to our hall, Dr. E. L. Stevenson, '81, who gave us a pleasant address. Brother Stevenson was principal of the Franklin City schools, superintendent of the schools at Gilman, Ill., several years and later took a special course at Johns Hopkins' University. He has lately returned from Heidleburg, Germany, where he took the degree of Doctor of Philosophy. It is pleasurable to note the lasting interest of Phi's in Indiana Delta.

ELDO H. HENDRICKS.

Franklin, Nov. 8, 1890.

INDIANA EPSILON, HANOVER COLLEGE.

Indiana Epsilon commenced the year with only five members, having lost two by graduation and four others who left College to go into business. Though numerically weak, we have secured our share of the new students, having initiated five excellent men. We now have ten members in all, and will lose only one by graduation this year. All the chapters here have taken in some good men, and we are glad to say that all work has been carried on in a gentlemanly manner. The following shows the numerical strength of each: ΣX, 12; $B \Theta \Pi$, 11; $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, 10; $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$, 9; $\Delta T \Delta$, 8. The Sigma Chis are now occupying their new Chapter House. We are represented on the Junior exhibition by Bro. Willman.

Bro. Mayhew took first prize in declamation at the Senior Prep. contest last June.

Bro. Rob. Hutchings, formerly of '90, is attending Medical College in Cincinnati. Marks of '92, is now in the wholesale jewelry business in Cleveland, O. Bro. H. W. Hutchings of '92, is superintending an orange grove in Florida. Karmire of '93, has taken a responsible position with the Shelbyville Lounge Co. in Shelbyville, Indiana.

Bro. Garber of Alabama Alpha paid us a short visit in October. The following is a list of our new men: David Combs, '94, Charleston, Ind.; John D. DePrez, '94, Shelbyville, Ind.; G. E.

Mayhew, '94, Red Bluff, California; Brainard Platt, '94, Madison, Ind.; W. B. Snyder, '94, Milton, Ky.

DON KENNEDY.

Hanover, Nov. 6, 1890.

INDIANA ZETA, DEPAUW UNIVERSITY.

Under the leadership of an earnest, progressive and brainy president, supported by an able, energetic and efficient faculty, with a new policy in harmony with the principles of a new education, DePauw University is abreast of the times, bearing rapidly to the front rank of progressive institutions. The college curriculum has been entirely revised, the year divided into Semesters, rather than terms, and many studies heretofore compulsory, added to the already large list of electives. In the special schools, Dr. Jenkins in Biology, Dr. Baker in Chemistry, and Professor Willis in Physics have, with their able assistants, made very thorough and exceedingly popular the work in the field of science. The school of Latin under the professorship of Dr. Post, supported by Dr. Langdon as associate, and Dixon and Dotey, as instructors, offer inducements for original and advanced work unequaled in the West. The departments of mathematics under Dr. John, modern languages under Dr. Manning, and Political Science under Col. J. Riley Weaver are very thorough and need special mention. The Law school under the direct management of Dean Mason, and so ably supported by such lecturers as Judges Byron K. Elliott and Mitchell of the Supreme Court, Judge Fishback of the Chancery Court, and Judge Black of Chicago, is thoroughly organized, has doubled in size this year, and is, in fact, a College of Law. It needs no further commendation than the character and reputation of the men already mentioned can give it. All in all DePauw University offers advantages unexcelled by any institution in the West. The policy of the new administration has been well appreciated by the patrons, and the enrollment of eleven hundred students last year will be considerably increased this, despite the fact that several hundred were taken away by the abolition of one of the special schools.

Keeping pace with the magnificent growth of the University our chapter has in numbers, in general character, in solid strength, stepped with rapid strides to the front rank. Inspired by common aims and common hopes; with the whole chapter harmoniously moving as one man toward a common goal; with the best interest of Phi Delta Theta at heart, never before has our band of Phi's been as closely and truly united as brothers. Pursuing a fair and manly treatment of rival organizations; guided by a fair, careful and conservative policy in "spiking"; avoiding seclusion and recognizing men as men whenever

and wherever we meet them, Phi Delta Theta at DePauw has met with unprecedented success. To become thoroughly acquainted with a man before giving him a "proposition"; to say nothing derogatory of rival chapters; to tell a man frankly our purposes and ambitions, and as frankly to advise him not to join us unless his ideal is in harmony with ours, has been our policy. The success of such a course can be best attested by introducing to the Phi world our new made brothers: S. C. Matson, C. B. Campbell, C. H. Smith, W. L. Harris, L. C. Bentley, T. E. Morse, all of '94, and W. G. Alexander of '93; besides stating, in addition, the fact that we have pledged four strong men and not lost a proposition.

The relative numerical standing of fraternities as at present organized at DePauw, is as follows:

Phi Delta Theta, 22; Delta Kappa Epsilon, 22; Phi Kappi Psi, 20; Phi Gamma Delta, 19; Beta Theta Pi, 18; Delta Tau Delta, 15; Sigma Chi, 14; Delta Upsilon, 14. Sororities: Alpha Chi Omega, 14; Alpha Phi, 18; Kappa Kappa Gamma, 24; Kappa Alpha Theta, 35.

In the college political world we have reaped the choicest fruit this year has had to offer. The editor-in-chief of *The DePauw Adz*, Secretary of State, and President of Inter-State Oratorical Associations being among our trophies.

Our old hall being unsuited to our present needs, the chapter will move into an elegant suite of rooms, and open with a "house warming" at Thanksgiving time.

Our graduates who left us in '90, all slipped into good and profitable situations. Bro. Miller is Principal of High School at La Grange, Indiana; Bro. Richards in a similar position at Spencer; Bro. C. W. Treat occupies the chair of Natural Science in Napa College, Napa, Colorado, and Bro. Rognon is married and well established in law at Salt Lake City, Utah.

Last May the writer had the pleasure of attending the Inter State Contest in Oratory, in Lincoln, Nebraska, and of spending in company with Bro. Tucker, of Buchtel College, Ohio, and Bro. Wilkinson of '89, a few days with the royal Phi's of Nebraska Alpha. It affords us pleasure to say that in the opinion of many of the large audience, and of many capable judges of oratory, Bro. Tucker won the first place in the contest. The decision otherwise was a surprise to all. His manly bearing, his frankness, his genial disposition made him exceedingly popular, and the high rank he took is something of which Phi Delta Theta as well as Bro. Tucker himself, may be justly and sincerely proud. Our entertainment by the university circles was splendid, by the Nebraska Phi's royal, and many pleasant memories cling about our western trip to Lincoln.

Feeling that I have already trespassed on your space, I will close with expressing somewhat of the hearty appreciation our members have for the excellent condition of THE SCROLL, under the present management.

Yours fraternally,

WILLITS H. BASTIAN.

Greencastle, Nov. 1, 1890.

MICHIGAN ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

Michigan Alpha starts out the college year with bright prospects and assurances of the greatest success in fraternity work. Although the chapter met with trouble during the latter part of last year, the members have entered upon this year's work with the greatest harmony and good feeling. In May of last year, we found it necessary to expel Joseph Baldwin Wood, '91, for disloyalty. John Aloysius McLaughlin, considering the action of the chapter ill-advised, handed in his resignation. All efforts to secure its retraction were of no avail, and expulsion was the only recourse. These expulsions, which were consented to after the most mature and earnest consideration, produced a salutary effect upon the chapter in binding the members more closely together, and in rekindling the fraternity spirit and enthusiasm.

Brother Walcott, who graduated last year in the literary department, has returned to take up the study of medicine, and will be with us three years more. Of the other graduates of last year, Brother Sanders is instructor in Latin in the Central High School, Minneapolis, and Brother Vandersluis is at home in Grand Rapids. Brother Ewell, '91, is at present in Louisiana, in the employment of the Department of Agriculture, making chemical tests in sugar. Brother Colton, '89, who was with us last year, has accepted a position as teacher of physics and chemistry in the St. Paul High School. Brother Chilcote, '92, failed to appear at the beginning of this year, and rumor has it that he has joined the noble Order of Benedicts, and is now teaching in Los Angeles, California. We are most fortunate in having with us Brother James L. Mitchell, Jr., president of Epsilon Province, who has entered the senior class in the law department. His experience in fraternity work will be of the greatest benefit to our chapter. He has already distinguished himself by being elected a member of the glee club, the finest organization in college, and one which has acquired fame for its musical ability.

We have opened up the work of the year in new quarters, having rented a larger house on Forrest Avenue, which was built during the summer vacation, with accommodations for nineteen men. We have been somewhat hindered by the tardiness of the work, but the house is now completed. We have furnished it

throughout substantially, if not handsomely, and are now feeling happy in the possession of a fraternity home. Large parlors, library, sitting room and dining room render the home life most enjoyable.

Several men who were pledged to join us this year, did not enter the university, and we found our working force at the opening of the semester to consist of an even dozen. On the evening of November 1, we initiated three men who we are sure will do us credit,—Bertrand S. Summers, of Fort Sheridan, Ill.; Robert F. Hall, of Williamstown, Mich.; and H. Mortimer Senter of Houghton. We had with us on the occasion, Brothers Millett, Weiderman, Allison and Baker, of Mich. *B*; and Brother Muir, of Battle Creek, Mich. *A*, '88, whose presence furthered the pleasure of the evening. We have two other men pledged, with a prospect of some first-class additions next semester. We have received many letters from Phi's in different parts of the country recommending to our notice men who have entered professional departments of the University of Michigan, but although grateful to these brothers for the interest which they have taken in us, we have steadily adhered to the custom followed by all the fraternities here of initiating none but members of the literary department.

On November 3, we took out Articles of Incorporation, and have now a corporate existence under the laws of Michigan.

The fraternity life of the university, as a whole, is having a decided boom. All the fraternities are on the war path, and are securing this year a much better class of men than usual. The Chi Psi's have only three men returned this year, and have given up their house, which is now occupied by the Zeta Psi's. Kappa Kappa Gamma established a chapter here on the evening of October 3, with six fair "co-eds" as charter members. Several more have been initiated since.

The freshman class of this year is larger than ever before, and the total enrollment in the university is now 2,287. The increase in numbers has rendered necessary a larger addition to the teaching force. During the absence of Professor H. C. Adams, who is at present acting as statistician of the census, Professor F. M. Taylor, of Albion College, is occupying the chair of political economy.

The Northern Oratorical League was formed last June in Ann Arbor at a meeting of delegates from Oberlin, Northwestern, University of Wisconsin and University of Michigan, providing for an annual contest to be held at each college in rotation on the first Friday in May. The prizes are to be $100 and $50 in cash. The first contest will be held here next May. A local association has been organized here which will hold annual contests for prizes of $75 and $50. This will give an opportunity

for the development of a talent which has long lain dormant at the University of Michigan.

Yours in the Bond,
FRANK H. DIXON.

Ann Arbor, Nov. 5, 1890.

MICHIGAN BETA, MICHIGAN AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE.

At commencement in August, six of our number graduated. Since that time most of them have obtained lucrative positions in various lines of work. Bro. J. R. McCall is foreman of the iron shops in the Tennessee Agricultural College. Bro. J. H. Freeman is working in a machine shop at Grand Rapids, Mich. Bro. J. H. F. Mullett is farming at Williamston, Mich., not far from the college. Bro. H. E. Bunce is working on his father's farm at Marysville, Mich. Bro. C. F. Rutenger is living at the college, and teaching school at Okimos, three miles distant. Bro. H. F. Hall is working for the Penn. R. R. Co. at Pittsburgh, Penn. The graduation of these brothers left thirteen members in the chapter. Five other brothers also left us during last term; Bros. B. F. Hall and Park, to attend the university at Ann Arbor, and Bros. Deye, Barlow and Mead, to engage in work. With only eight members left, we were somewhat weak in numbers, but what we lacked in this direction, we made up in others. During this term (Aug.–Nov.) we have initiated two men and pledged a third. The new brothers whom we are now happy to present to the Phi world are from the class of '94, Malcolm Forrest Loomis, of Grand Rapids, Mich., and Earl B. Hughes, of Marshall, Mich. We have been doing excellent work and our chapter rooms are in better condition than ever before. There is perfect harmony between the members and a strong fraternity feeling prevails. Our rival, the Iota chapter of Δ T Δ, seems to be doing good work. They are well filled out as regards members, and have been making improvements in their chapter rooms. This year, neither of the fraternities were admitted to the oratorical contest, which occurred on Oct. 31. Mr. H. L. Butterfield of the Eclectic society, carried off the first prize. We are happy to announce that Bro. Ned S. Mayo, of '88, has taken unto himself a help mate in the person of Miss Mollie L. Carpenter, also of '88. Bro. Mayo has been appointed professor of veterinary in the Kansas Ag. Coll. Bro. A. B. Cordley, of '88 has been appointed assistant professor of Entomology at the Vermont agricultural college.

The members of Beta chapter look for brighter times coming in the near future and hope that the members of all other chapters in the fraternity do the same.

CHARLES F. BAKER.

State College of Michigan, Nov. 10, 1890.

MICHIGAN GAMMA, HILLSDALE COLLEGE.

Michigan Gamma once more raises aloft the banner of the Fraternity and sends a loyal greeting to her sister chapters far and near. We commence another year of our existence with most favorable and flattering prospects. Although but ten men surround the mystic circle, yet they are all loyal, energetic and full of zeal and enthusiasm for the work. There are several good men among the new arrivals at College this Fall, and the Phis with their characteristic "energy" already "have their eye" upon several of them, with excellent prospects of success. Delta Tau Delta, our most formidable rival also presents a strong chapter this fall and is working hard, but we intend now, as we have for several years, to secure almost our pick of the new men.

Michigan Gamma lost some good men last June by graduation, but is fortunate in the return of some old members who have "been out in the world" striving after "filthy lucre." Among these are Bros. Chaffee and Shumaker, the latter of whom we rescued from the very jaws of the Delta Taus three years ago. Bro. Mark, our Reporter last year who was graduated with the highest honors in June, now has a fine position as Rail Road Surveyor in Missouri. Bros. Churchill and Kenney who also graduated are yet with us, the former as Musical Director in the College and the latter with his father on a fruit farm near the city. Bro. O. W. Pierce, of the Class of '91, has accepted a fine position as Instructor in Music at the Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware. He intends however to be back to graduate with his class.

We had a very large gathering of the Phis last June and had a very enjoyable reunion and dinner at the leading hotel in the city. Before the time for another report shall roll around we hope to have several new brothers to introduce to the "Grecian Host."

J. NELSON GREENE.

Hillsdale, Sept. 23, 1890.

ZETA PROVINCE.

ILLINOIS DELTA, KNOX COLLEGE.

At the beginning of the term Illinois Delta found itself with but five men. The membership, has, however, been increased to eight by the return of a former member, and by the initiation of Messrs. Marsh and Dexter, of '94. These men, we can assure our brethren in $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$, will make good, loyal and enthusiastic

workers, and will uphold the standard of the white and blue wherever they may be. Harrison's visit to our college town, and our banquet to him, have caused us to believe more than ever that our Bond is one whose principles will not only outlive our college days, but will be cherished throughout our life. Illinois Delta has been, is, and will continue to be, the social society of Knox. With entire justice to the other secret fraternities, it may be said that our chapter is the only one recognized socially by Galesburg people. This may be accounted for not only by our social prominence, but also because the majority of our boys, from time to time, have been of the leading families here.

Phi Gamma Delta has the strong membership of fifteen, rents a large hall, which is comfortably furnished, and is very enthusiastic. The Betas are equal in numerical strength, being especially strong in the freshman and sophomore classes. They occupy the hall the Phi's did five years ago. It is quite a large hall on the third floor of a building facing Main Street. The ladies' societies are both in a flourishing condition. The fraternities at Knox are steadily gaining ground, and where once nothing but the most bitter opposition was manifested towards them, we are now met with cordial friendship.

GEO. CANDREE GALE.

Galesburg, Nov. 3, 1890.

ILLINOIS ZETA, LOMBARD UNIVERSITY.

The year opened very favorably for Illinois Zeta. For all that, we feel the loss of our senior Phi's. There were thirteen Greek Knights at the opening of the term ready for work.

The six Phis we lost by graduation, Brothers Harsh, Anderson, Slater, Trott, Farlow and Brigham, left a kind remembrance in the shape of $100 apiece as a nucleus for a chapter house fund, and informed us that if all Lombard Phis did likewise we would soon have funds enough for a home of our own. These brothers are very dear to us and we have already, since the opening of this term received a visit from Brothers Harsh, Slater, Anderson and Farlow.

On last Field Day the Phi boys won twenty prizes, showing that we are not lacking in athletics. We are sorry not to have Brothers Tapper, '92, and Conger, '93, with us this year, but are in hopes to see them back next year. Our present number is thirteen, viz.: Brothers Case and Donohoe, '91; Brady, Silliman, Wild and Suiter, '92; Allen, Anderson, Blount, McCarl, T. V. Young and Cottrell, '93.

We have the president of our college paper, *Lombard Review*, together with a large majority of the officers, also we have the

president and a majority of the officers in the athletic association, and likewise with the 'Erosophian' society.

Doubtless you have all heard how we banquetted Brother Benjamin Harrison on Oct. 8th, while he was in Galesburg. Over ninety Phis and guests sat down to the feast served by a Chicago caterer. Of this a full account will be seen elsewhere in the SCROLL. Our boys have also shown their pluck by getting up a lecture course with some of the leading attractions of the season, viz.: Mrs. Frank Leslie, Leland T. Powers, and the Lotus Glee Club. Brother Donohoe, '91, is our business manager, and he deserves great credit for his unexcelled zeal. On Nov. 8th occurs our annual 'stag banquet' and we have invited the Illinois Delta chapter to be with us, and will undoubtedly have a grand Phi time.

We have initiated no one as yet but have three men pledged, and can have two or three more when we want them.

We have one rival society in school, $\Delta\,\theta$ (local). They take in even the lowest preps. but by so doing lower their standard.

The Swan contest which comes off soon is to be well represented by Phi boys and we feel quite sure of carrying off a good share of the honors. We are more than pleased with the SCROLL under the present form. With best wishes for all Phis,

Fraternally,

CHAS. H. COTTRELL.

Galesburg, Nov. 1, 1890.

WISCONSIN ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN.

The Phis graduated from the University last year were Brothers Geo. T. Simpson, B. L.; D. L. Fairchild, B. C.; E. R. Maurer, B. C. E.; in the College of Law were, F. A. Geiger, B. L., '88, L. L. B. '90; W. E. Black, L. L. '88, L. L. B. '90; C. L. Allen, B. L. '85, L. L. B. '90. Brothers Simpson and Fairchild are working for the Winona and Southwestern R. R. in Iowa. Brother Maurer is working for the C. and N. W. near Madison. Brother Geiger was a delegate to the State Democratic Convention this summer. Brother Allen is member of a law firm in Eau Claire. Brother Black is in a law office in Richland Centre.

During Commencement week we had with us Brothers Fehr, Wasweyler and Hilbert of Milwaukee and Brothers Clark of Eau Claire and Beaser of Ashland. Brother Simpson will return to the Law School next year and will probably go on the Glee Club trip this spring.

The Grand event for us this fall was the entrance into a chapter house. Last spring we had a good many proposals for one and at last decided to accept the offer of a business man of the city who offered to build one to rent to us. We had the parlor

furniture, a piano and a billiard table, but had of course to buy the bedroom sets. Our parlors are arranged with such wide arches that they afford a hard wood dancing surface twenty-four feet wide by fifty feet long. Besides, on the ground floor, we have a billiard room amd two bed rooms. The house is three storied and accomodates twenty-four men. It is within a stone's throw of Lake Mendota and from the front windows one can command a view of the entire western end of the lake and of part of the University grounds. From the upper floor the gaze sweeps over its full extent, with its variety of wooded slopes and cultivated fields extending to the water's edge. Under the eye near the shore the Phi Delta Theta Yacht rides at anchor with the silver and azure fluttering at the mast head. Indeed, it is admitted by all that with our house, piano, billiard table and yacht, we are the best equipped chapter in the college.

All the fraternities have taken in a number of good men from '94. As all our Freshmen came back and as we lost several by graduation our strength lies in the two lower classes. Chi Psi has 18, Phi Kappa Psi 25, Beta Theta Pi 17, Sigma Chi 15, Delta Upsilon 18 and Phi Delta Theta 19. We understand that the charter of Delta Tau Delta has been handed in.

Kappa Alpha Theta came out last spring and entered a house this fall. Although so young, they have become a factor in our fraternity life that the other sororities cannot afford to overlook. There are now two sororities occupying chapter houses—Gamma Phi Beta and Kappa Alpha Theta. The Delta Upsilons entered a house this fall so that now all fraternities have homes. A local appeared here last month called the Delta Psis. They started a chapter last spring in Ripon College of this State.

Brother D. E. Spencer, who has been Assistant Professor of History in the U. W., has returned to Johns Hopkins to complete his course for a Master's degree.

Brother W. A. Curtis, A. B. '89, post graduate last year, has entered the Law School with '92.

So far this year we have initiated seven men and have three more pledged to join us next term. Four of the seven had brothers in this chapter, but the others were taken from our esteemed rivals. They are Walter A. Marling, Law, '92; Lawrence A. Curtis, Geo. T. Elliott, Jas. K. Simpson, John J. Wright, C. E. Hilbert and C. B. Culbertson, all of '94. This is the third Hilbert in the chapter, making two sets of three brothers each. We have a number of singers and will have three men on the Glee Club. We have besides, three officers in the U. W. Battalion and two men on a Sophomore Semi-Public. Brother Young is an editor of the annual, leader of the Glee Club and holds several class offices.

Brother Turner is Vice President of the Philomathia. Brother Warren Burton was one of the contestants in the Tennis Tournament with Beloit. Brother Curtis '94, stands at the head of his class in the Military department. Brother C. E. Hilbert is manager of the Freshman team.

Interest in athletics is on the increase in the U. W. as shown by the number of spectators on Freshman-Sophomore Field Day. It may be of interest to alumni to know that the excuse system has been abolished and, instead, if a student stands above eighty-five in a study and has attended the class ninety per cent. of the time he is exempted from an examination in that study.

Brother Smith of Lombard spent an evening with us last term. Brother S. G. Potter, L. L. B. '89, visited us a day or two ago and Brother Johnson of Allegheny stayed about two weeks with us but is not with us now. We are looking forward to his return in a short time. We have always been overjoyed at meeting a brother from another chapter, and feel doubly so now that we can extend them a welcome from our own home. In the early part of the term we received a telegram from a chapter in regard to a Freshman they were having trouble with. This seems worthy of record, for it must be a lively chapter that will run a man by electricity. Yours in the Bond,

FRANK SWEET.

Madison, Nov. 7, 1890.

MISSOURI ALPHA, MISSOURI UNIVERSITY.

The new year has opened most auspiciously for our chapter. Last year six of our eighteen members, then in attendance, graduated. Eleven of the remaining twelve were present at the opening of the new year, filled with enthusiasm for the work of the schoolroom and full of love for Phi Delta Theta. Later we were joined by Brother Tipton, '90, who has returned to take the law course.

Our new initiates are Brothers R. B. Daniel, J. A. Slaughter, E. M. Hamichar, and W. S. Jennings—all excellent men. Brother Jennings will graduate this year in both academics and Law. We now have sixteen active and enthusiastic members. The chapter was never in better condition.

We have procured a most elegant suite of rooms on 9th and Broadway over the Postoffice and are fitting it up in style worthy of our noble chapter. Our alumni are assisting us in a truly brotherly manner. We will have, when completed, the most elegant chapter hall in the city.

Since our last communication, Prof. Updegraff, Wisconsin Alpha, has been elected to the chair of Astronomy in our University. Although a number of years have elapsed since his gradu-

ation, and the last three he has spent in the Argentine Confederation, making astronomical observation, removed thousands of miles from Phi influences, he has lost none of his Phi spirit. He is a scholar, a gentleman, and a devoted Phi, and we congratulate Wisconsin Alpha for having had the honor of sending out from its chapter so promising a man.

The half dozen Greek Letter societies here are on excellent terms with each other. We are issuing the Pan-Hellenic semi-monthly.

The Zeta Phi, a local fraternity, has given up the ghost and been absorbed by Beta Theta Pi. The numerical strength of each of these societies is about the same. The Sigma Nu is our greatest rival. The Phis have ever held the leadership in this university, and we don't propose to surrender that position.

C. G. HAINES.

Columbia, Nov. 4, 1890.

MISSOURI BETA, WESTMINSTER COLLEGE.

When Westminster College opened on September 3, 1890, five loyal Phi's were on hand to take up the sword and shield with purposes to bear them through another college year to honorable triumphs for $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$. Last June our chapter numbered eight—of these, three graduated. Since school opened we have initiated two splendid men, Bros. E. C. Henderson, '93, and Wm. Dicken, '94. Both are new men in college, but from the start have shown their metal by taking and maintaining a stand in the front ranks of the classes. Our prospects are flattering for honors in various directions. Already members from our number have been chosen to hold the position of Inter-collegiate Oratorical Committee-man for their college, president of one of the two literary societies, president and first vice president of the athletic association. In our enthusiasm for success in the various departments of college, we have not overlooked fraternity interests in the social world.

On the eve of October 10, we gave an elegant quail supper at the home of W. D. Bush, father of Bro. A. W. Bush, '91. Both active and alumni members of $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$, of Fulton, and vicinity were present with their ladies. Invitations secured the presence of representatives from $K\ A$ and $B\ \Theta\ \Pi$ fraternities, and also of friends residing in the city. The company assembled at an early hour in the handsome parlors, where, amid wit, humor and laughter, the passing moments seemed soon to bring the time for feasting. The sight of the splendid dining rooms so tastefully decorated, and the tables so richly laden, was a pleasant one. This part of the evening was presided over by Mrs. Bush and daughters, and to them the Phi's owe many thanks. While the supper was being

discussed, toasts were responded to by active and alumni members of Missouri Beta, representatives from *K A* and *B θ Π* fraternities, and others. Highly satisfied with the supper, the company reassembled in the parlors, and what with mirth and music, the time for departure came only too soon. The evening's entertainment was a pronounced success in all respects, and we hope to follow it up through the year with others of a similar character.

The *K A* chapter opened with three members, and have since initiated three. The *B θ Π* chapter opened with eight men, and have initiated two. The Phi's endeavor to treat the boys of the other fraternities with all respect and honesty, and in return their conduct toward us exhibits no traits unbecoming true Greeks.

Missouri Beta wishes prosperity to attend all other chapters.

Fraternally,

F. M. SALLEE.

Fulton, Nov. 6, 1890.

IOWA ALPHA, IOWA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

No duty could be more pleasant in itself or furnish a stronger impetus to its performance than that devolving upon your reporter to chronicle the continued prosperity and unabated zeal of loyal old Iowa Alpha. At the opening of the year twelve of the boys were back again—the flow of fraternity spirit rushing through them full and strong. Our loss of Brothers Coddington, Jeffrey and Laisy by graduation last June, of Brothers Elbert Smith who is attending the Chicago Business College, and Add Weir who is in business at Centreville seems almost irretrievable. They were five of our stand-by Phis and a sense of greater responsibility falls upon us as they unshoulder the pleasant burden of Phi Delta Theta duties which they have so nobly borne. Brother Jesse Clark is also out this term, but in this case we are partially appeased by the assurance of his return in a few months more. After the first few days of greeting the boys were able to begin a careful and conservative study of the field. The attendance this year is greater than last, and has brought in some good fraternity material. From the new men we have selected four—Carl Mayrel, Earnest Evans, Edward Hearn and Clyde Payne, upon whom at a later period, when the university restrictions shall be outgrown it seems eminently proper that we should set the seal of Phi Delta Theta Knighthood, and who now in response to our invitation wear the white and blue.

Beta Theta Pi, our only rival, has a chapter of twelve men and have succeeded in putting their colors on three more. They are now located in their new quarters and are in good condition, to at least sustain their reputation. The sorosis of Pi Beta Phi and the P. E. O. Sisterhood are both stronger in number than

either Phi Delta Theta or Beta Theta Pi. Throughout the school there is a general tendency to discourage political wire pulling and the rivalry can hardly be said to be as intense as heretofore.

The Zeta Province Convention, to be held in Mt. Pleasant during the spring vacation, has filled the boys with highest hopes to show their appreciation of our order, and let me urge upon every chapter and Phi's everywhere that the more of you we have with us the happier we will be. For the good of the Province, as well as our own pleasure, we would like to see every chapter represented and assure you in advance as cordial a greeting and warm reception as we can possibly bestow.

The last SCROLL was a real delight to us and the boys were enthusiastic over it. As a Fraternity we can congratulate ourselves upon its management.

Yours in $\Phi\iota$——$\chi\varepsilon\iota\alpha$,

WILMOT C. WILLITS.

Mt. Pleasant, Oct. 27, 1890.

IOWA BETA, STATE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA.

Iowa Beta lost two men last June ; E. C. Nichols and F. D. Hastings. Bro. Nichols' commencement thesis won first prize valued at $100 in the Law Department. This is the highest honor to be obtained in this university. Bro. Hastings was also a prize winner, he bringing the chapter the first place in tennis singles at the home field-day.

Our this year's Seniors are a delight, except in one respect, and that is that they will leave us at the end of this school year. We have five of them, every one of whom is an honor to the Fraternity. Two captains out of five, and three first lieutenants out of nine, is the way they took honors in the university Battalion this year. Bro. Brenner, one of them, is president of Irving Institute, a literary society, and Bro. Smith, another of them is captain of the foot-ball eleven. Our lower classmen are all right, but, of course, can not come up to the standard of Seniors.

Allow me to present to the Fraternity our new men : Charlie Reimers, '94 ; Johnny Hawthorne, '91 ; William Slatery, '93, and our twins, Mills and Fordyce, both of '94 Bro. Reimers is President of the class of '94, and presided at their banquet held a short time ago.

The chapters of the different fraternities here are all conservative, accepting none but approved material. Iowa Beta is now on good terms with all of them, but had a slight tilt with the Delts the first of this term. With the Phi Psi's and Betas we have had one unbroken peace for several years, and the present indications are that it will continue. Out of 285 students of the collegiate department, 59 belong to fraternities or about 21 per cent.

In the professional courses there are only about 15 "frat." men out of the 490 students of these departments.

The present number of student members of the different chapters here is as follows: Δ Τ Δ, 11; Β Θ Π, 15; Φ Κ Ψ, 10; Φ Δ Θ, 15. Eighteen new men have already been taken by the different chapters; Δ Τ Δ, 3; Β Θ Π, 7; Φ Κ Ψ, 3; Φ Δ Θ, 5.

Our chapter begins this year with bright propects, and as the year passes, no doubt, it will be my duty and pleasure to record many honors won by members of Iowa Beta. We will continue our policy of friendship for all Greeks, and as in years past treat the "barb" element with consideration. But above all we will work for the Fraternity, and try to live up to the principles taught by it, that we may merit the respect of men, and increase the power of Phi Delta Theta.

In the Bond,

F. G. PIERCE.

Iowa City, Nov. 1, 1890.

KANSAS ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS.

Our last letter was given you in the Spring of 1890 and consisted, to a great extent, in showing our prospects for the next (this) year, and by this showing, proving the statements of the K. S. U. correspondent of Phi Kappa Psi *Shield* to be utterly false. Our condition at this writing, after but about a month's school, not only bears out my statement of last year, but gives evidence of a prosperity almost beyond our expectation.

We began the school year with eleven members in attendance, one a member of the Faculty—the third contribution to the Faculty from Kansas Alpha. Since then we have initiated four men, T. H. Franklin, C. E. '94; L. E. Thrasher, M. L. '94; G. H. Playton, E. E. '94 and G. F. Nichols, Sc. '91. In a short time we will add three more to our ranks, giving us eighteen men. At the opening of the second term, we expect the return of two of our old members, so our numerical strength will exceed that of last year.

In the light of the remarks of the Phi Kappa Psi reporter, our success in the case of one of our initiates is especially gratifying. Among other chapters inviting him, the Phi Kappa Psi put forth every effort to gain him, and in a boasting and over-confident manner had already proclaimed their victory. But, alas for them he is now not a Phi Kappa Psi, but a *true Phi.*

Last week a number of our boys went to Topeka, upon the occasion of President Harrison's visit to that place. As he was on the train about to leave, our "baby" squeezed into the line of those shaking hands with the President, and saluted him as a brother Phi; the President responded with the "grip." Another

Phi, a "photographic fiend," captured him by means of a detective camera, and the result of his endeavors will be preserved in our collection of "records and other important documents."

The University this year opens with great improvement in many ways. Very nearly all preparatory studies are now abolished and with the close of the year these few will be stricken from the course, so that none below regular Freshmen will be permitted to enter. This gives us a fine body of students from which to select Phi material. The attendance this year is in actual numbers, about the same as last year, but taking into consideration the exclusion of preparatory students, it is proportionately much greater.

F. H. KELLOGG.

Lawrence, Oct. 13, 1890.

CALIFORNIA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA.

California Alpha, although diminished in numbers and in strength by the graduation of four loyal brothers, and by the failure of Brothers Benton and Titus to return, has succeeded, to a great extent, in making good its loss by the initiation of three strong men from '94—Brothers Wm. N. Friend, of Oakland; Frank S. Boggs, of Colusa; and Russ Avery, of Los Angeles. Bro. Hewitt, '90, is doing good work for us in Los Angeles. Bro. Young has just returned to college. He has been teaching school in the country.

The university is enjoying an era of prosperity greater than ever before. The number of high schools and academies throughout the State of which the graduates are admitted to the university without examination, is continually increasing. One hundred and eighty applicants have been admitted to the colleges of letters and of science this year. During the present interregnum, caused by the resignation of President Davis, Professor Martin Kellogg is acting president. The new chemistry building, to cost $80,000, is nearly completed, and will be fitted up with all the most modern improvements.

Our rivals are all in prosperous condition. All occupy chapter houses. *K A θ*, whose chapter was organized only last June, has no chapter house. The *X Φ*'s, whose house was destroyed by fire on the evening of last commencement, have taken another house close to the university grounds. Following is the standing of the fraternities here: *B θ Π*, freshman 3, total 21; *Φ Γ Δ*, freshmen 5, total 20; *Φ Δ θ*, freshmen 4, total 17; *X Φ*, freshmen 6, total 17; *Δ K E*, freshmen 2, total 17; *Z Ψ*, freshmen 6, total 17; *Σ X*, freshmen 1, total 10; *K A θ*, freshmen 6, total 16.

As usual, there was a spirited contest for the chief-editorship of the *Blue and Gold.* Turner, $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ secured the covetedhonor, and will, undoubtedly, get out a good book. Gentry, "non-frat," is chief manager, and has appointed Bro. Tomkins on his staff.

Bro. Jackson, California Alpha, 74, professor of mineralogy in the university, has resigned his professorship to go into business. Bro. Schaeberle, of the Lick Observatory, paid us a flying visit September 30. He is an enthusiastic Phi, and we should be glad to see him often, but his duties will very seldom allow him to get away from the observatory. Our Eastern brothers may not understand that the Lick Observatory, although a part of the university, is seventy-five miles from the seat of the latter. We do not see brothers from our sister chapters often because we are so far away from those chapters, but if any brothers are in San Francisco or Oakland at any time, it is only a few minutes' ride to Berkeley, where we shall be glad to see them.

E. F. GOODYEAR.

Berkeley, November 5, 1890.

PERSONALS.

Ohio *E*—F. S. Pixley, '87, is now editor of the Chicago *Mail.*

Ohio *E*—H. D. Smith, '90, is studying law at Cincinnati, Ohio.

Ohio *E*—E. F. Cone, '90, is taking a course in Chemistry at Case School, Cleveland, O.

Tennessee *A*—J. L. Shearer, '85, is manager of the Redpath Lyceum Bureau, Cincinnati.

Pennsylvania *Δ*—Rev. W. G. Warner, '81, left in September for an extended European tour.

Mississippi *A*—Monroe McClurg, '78, is a member of the Mississippi Constitutional Convention.

California *A*—W. H. Smith, '90, is taking a post-graduate course at Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore.

Tennessee *A*—C. H. E. Hardin, '80, was chairman of the recent Democratic gubernatorial convention in Nevada.

Georgia *A*—P. B. Trammel, '78, was elected a member of the Georgia House of Representatives at the recent election.

Ohio *E*—A. A. Kohler, '87, has been elected gymnasium director at Buchtel College, and Health Officer at Akron, Ohio.

Pennsylvania *Z*—C. A. Oliver, M. D. '77, has been elected one of the surgeons of the Wells' Eye Hospital, in Philadelphia.

Georgia *Γ*—H. J. Battle, Jr., '87, is book-keeper of Exchange Bank of Macon, Ga., having been promoted a number of times.

Tennessee *A*—W. H. Ellerbe, '82, was the Democratic nominee for Comptroller General of South Carolina, at the election November 4, 1890.

Pennsylvania *Δ*—W. A. Elliott, '89, is Instructor in Latin and Greek and Principal of the Preparatory Department of Allegheny College.

Tennessee *A*—Stanhope Sims, '82, is editor of the Atlanta *Evening Journal*, which has the largest circulation of any daily newspaper in Georgia.

Georgia *Γ*—Married, on Wednesday evening, Nov. 5, 1890, at the residence of the bride's father, Bro. Geo. S. Jones, '88, of Macon, Ga., to Miss Berta Hardeman, of Macon.

Ohio *A*—Dr. George B. Peck, '57, has returned to his home in Boston after spending the summer with his brother in Berkeley. Bro. Peck supplied a pulpit in San Francisco while there.

Virginia *Γ*—J. C. Martin, '89, recently favored the editor with a letter full of interesting gossip about our Virginia chapters and Virginia Fraternity affairs in general. Bro. Martin is at Lake City, Florida.

Pennsylvania *Z*—O. M. Richards and John M. Shaw, '90, are located as resident physicians in two of Philadelphia's foremost institutions. Bro. Richards at the Presbyterian Hospital, and Bro. Shaw at St. Joseph's.

Griffin, Ga.—The half dozen Phi residents of this city—Douglass Boyd, Stiles Bradley, J. H. Smith, Grantland Tebault, Emory Drake and Douglass Glessner met and had a group photograph taken last summer, which now adorns Louisiana Alpha's hall.

Massachusetts *A*—C. H. Clarke, '87, was married to Miss Anderson, *K K Γ*, University of Cal., '85, in Oakland, July 23. They departed immediately for Seattle, Wash., where Bro. Clarke is in the real estate business.

Pennsylvania *Z*—C. S. Potts, M. D., '85, has been made instructor in Electro Therapeutics at the University of Pennsylvania. Bro. Potts has for several years been President of the College Boat Club, and is very popular among the rowing men. We wish him success in his new position.

Pennsylvania *Γ*—A. J. Montgomery, '87, receives attention in the *Washington* (Pa.) *Daily Reporter*, October 22, 1890, with a wood cut likeness, and an extended biography. He has been in Presbyterian missionary work in Kentucky for three years, but is now at his old home, Washington, Pa.

Michigan *B*—E. R. Lake, '84, Professor of Botany in Oregon College, at Corvallis, writes:

"Since coming to this coast two years ago, I have met only two Φ's. One, my brother-in-law, W. C. Stryker, Michigan B, '84, and formerly of Los Angeles, California, but now of Dayton, Michigan, and George Wright Shaw, ——, have forgotten his chapter and year, Prof. of Analy. Chemistry, in Pacific University, Oregon. So you see I am quite out of the Φ world, and quite eagerly grasp at this invitation to enter the "shining portals again."

Maine *A*—Edward Fuller, '85, spent the years 1885–6 at Portland, Me., and 1886–8, at Harvard in law studies. Since 1888 he has been located at Duluth, Minn., Attorney-at-law, Room 207 First National Bank Building. He writes us, sending notes concerning the following Phi's in Duluth:

R. C. Mitchell, Indiana B, '61, was Editor of the *Duluth Tribune* from 1869 to 1890, and is now a real estate broker. A. W. Ringland, Kentucky A, '72, has been pastor of the Presbyterian Church, since 1883. Charles C. Tear, Illinois E, '83, was a West Point graduate, left the Army in 1887 to commence law practice in Duluth. He was elected County Attorney in 1890. J. B. Cotton, Michigan B, '86, has been a member of the law firm of McGindley & Cotton since 1888.

Tennessee *A*—S. P. Gilbert, '81, promises to be a prominent figure in the coming session of the Georgia Legislature, as indicated by this clipping from the *Atlanta Constitution*, October 12th. Bro. Gilbert was returned by a handsome majority, having been easily renominated on his record, while his colleague from the same county failed:

A BALLOT LAW.—An interesting interview with Hon. S. P. Gilbert, of Muscogee county, in relation to a uniform ballot law, appears elsewhere in to-day's paper.

Captain Gilbert has given the matter careful attention, and having closely studied the progress of the ballot reform movement throughout the country, has collected the laws of all the states relating to the subject.

There is no doubt but that there should be a more uniform method of voting and of consolidating the election returns of the state. As to the method the question has not been before the people of the state long enough to establish any preference concerning details, but a moment's reflection is enough to establish the fact that Captain Gilbert is on the right track, and that much good may result from legislation intended to produce uniformity in the management of the elections in the state.

As will be seen, Captain Gilbert outlines a general course, taking the wise position that the matter of details should be left to the general assembly, where, after the question has undergone thorough investigation, a law may be modeled to meet every demand.

This measure will be one of the most important before the legislature.

Tennessee *A*—The Nashville *Evening Herald*, of November 5, contains the notice of the marriage of a Vanderbilt Phi, Percy D. Maddin.

A wedding which will long be remembered for its prettiness, the beauty of the bride, the popularity of the young couple, and the very many handsome presents, was the marriage of Miss Mary Belle Keith, to Mr. Percy D. Maddin yesterday afternoon. The old and hospitable Keith residence, on Stevenson avenue, was turned into an immense bower by the profuse use of flowers, floral designs, plants, cut flowers and

smilax artistically used. White roses and smilax adorned the refreshment room. Shortly after the appointed hour, around the canopy of flowers, assembled the bridal party, who were preceded by little Misses Sammie Keith and Louise Maddin. On the arm of the groom the bride entered, looking as lovely, as sweet and happy as ever bride looked. She wore a heavy rep silk, with point lace flounces, over which fell the vail in graceful folds. Standing under a canopy of flowers, of which two snow white doves were in the center, they were made man and wife by the Rev. Dr. S. A. Steel, pastor of McKendree church. The happy young couple were then greeted with the heartiest congratulations and best wishes of the assembled company, who were immediately after invited into the refreshment room. One room was filled with solid silver, cut glass, china and bric-a-brac, testimonials of the high esteem in which the bride and groom were held. A handsomer array of costly presents has rarely ever been seen in this city. This marriage unites two of Nashville's most prominent families, and has been the topic of social circles for several weeks. Miss Keith is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel J. Keith, and is a young lady of remarkable beauty, refinement and culture. Mr. Maddin has taken a foremost stand among the young lawyers at the bar, and has been for a number of years a prominent figure in both the social and business worlds. Mr. and Mrs. Maddin left last evening for Florida and the South, to be absent several weeks. On their return they will take possession of the very cozy and elegant residence in Clark Place.

Ohio *I'*—Hon. Emmett Tompkins, '75, was married Oct. 14th, 1890, to Miss Jessie Murfin, of Jackson, Ohio. The following is the account in the *Ohio State Journal:*

TOMPKINS–MURFIN.—BRILLIANT WEDDING AT JACKSON AND THE BRIDE'S ATTIRE.—Jackson, O., Oct. 15.—[Special.]—Hon. Emmett Tompkins and Miss Jessie Murfin of Jackson, were married Tuesday afternoon. Miss Jessie is the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lee T. Murfin and is highly esteemed for her genial, social and attractive qualities. Mr. Tompkins is well and favorably known throughout the State. A large number of invitations were sent out, mostly to friends in Athens, Columbus, Portsmouth and other places.

The elegant residence of Mr. Murfin was darkened and lit with artificial light. In every room huge banks of flowers had been arranged. The floral decorations were in charge of William McKeller, of Chillicothe.

At 2:30 the bridal party appeared while the wedding march from Lohengrin was being played. The officiating minister, Rev. D. Y. Murdoch, followed by the bride-groom, Mr. Tompkins, and Mr. George A. Peters, of Columbus, first appeared. They in turn were followed by Miss Grace Chapman, the little maid of honor, then by the bride herself, leaning upon the arm of her father. When the party were stationed all but the bridegroom and bride fell back, leaving the minister and those two standing underneath a bank of smilax, roses and chrysanthemums. An elegant repast was served.

The bride wore a magnificent gown of cream satin en train, the skirt of plain satin with garniture of tulle, pearls and ostrich tips, the train o

gorgeous Grecian tonade with ostrich tips, the front of the corsage pearl decoration, and over all this a floating veil of soft tulle.

Miss Grace Chapman, the maid of honor, wore yellow crepe de chine with Mareschal Neil roses.

Mr. and Mrs. Tompkins took the evening train for Columbus. A large number of guests left with them en route for their respective homes. Mr. and Mrs. Tompkins will occupy a suite of rooms for the present at the Park Hotel. Mrs. Tompkins will tender a reception there to her friends on next Tuesday.

Tennessee *B.*—The SCROLL has to chronicle yet another marriage in the Phi ranks. The *Memphis Appeal* of October 15, 1890, gives much space to the marriage of Bro. J. A. Hodgson to one of Memphis' fairest daughters.

HODGSON–ENSLEY.—Last evening, long before the hour of 8 o'clock, a large and brilliant audience thronged Calvary Church, eager to witness one of society's most noted events—the solemnization of the marriage vows of Miss Harriette S. Ensley and Dr. John Hamilton Potte Hodgson, of New York. Rarely is it the *Appeal's* privilege to announce the marriage of parties so distinguished for charming personal attributes, wide popularity and high social position.

The bride is the daughter of Col. Enoch Ensley, whose personal distinction as one of the leading capitalists and the most prominent and progressive of the iron manufacturers of the South is acknowledged throughout the commercial world. Her beauty and the graces of her personality have won for her general admiration both at home and abroad. The groom is the son of the distinguished divine, the Rev. Telfair Hodgson, D.D. LL.D., of Sewanee University. He is a young gentlemen of strong character, cultured and of unusual accomplishments, and is in the successful practice of his profession in New York City.

At eight o'clock to the moment, while the measured cadences of the "Lohengrin Wedding March" swelled out triumphantly, Miss Ensley, accompanied by her father, and the groom supported by Mr. Martin Ensley, met at the altar steps. The beautiful Episcopalian ceremony was performed, with deep feeling, by the Rev. Telfair Hodgson, D.D., LL.D., assisted by the Rev. Dr. Gaylor and the Rev. Dr. Buford, rector of Calvary, in chancel.

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The presents, in view of the popularity and position of Mr. and Mrs. Hodgson, were superb. They represented a fortune in the aggregate, and attested in the most substantial way the affection and esteem in which the bride and groom were held.

There was one feature of the array, however, which calls for special mention, being the gift of Mr. and Mrs. Enoch Ensley. It was a chest of solid silver containing 225 pieces.

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Dr. and Mrs. Hodgson will spend the next few days with relatives in Baltimore and New York City, and on the 25th will sail for Europe, where they expect to occupy themselves the next two years in viewing the wonders of distant lands.

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PHI DELTA THETA.

INITIATES OF THE CHAPTER GRAND,

Henry Durant Howren, Georgia B, '80,
Died October 7, 1890,
at
Charleston, S. C.
"In Coelo Quies Est."

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Yew Sawayama, Massachusetts B, '89,
Died September 10, 1890,
at
Tokio, Japan.
"In Coelo Quies Est."

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Arthur Ellis Barrows, Rhode Island A, '89,
Died August 4, 1890,
at
Rochester, Massachusetts.
"In Coelo Quies Est."

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William Henry Foster, Indiana A, '88,
Died July 23, 1890,
at
Morning Sun, Ohio.
"In Coelo Quies Est."

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Richard Maurice Dooly, Missouri A, '86,
Died September 10, 1890,
at
Benkleman, Nebraska.
"In Coelo Quies Est."

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Daniel Bullard Williams, Alabama B, '88,
Died September 27, 1890,
at
Opelika, Alabama.
"In Coelo Quies Est."

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

FRATERNITIES.

The circulation of the SCROLL is 1500 copies.

Δ Τ Ω has rented a chapter house at Hillsdale College.

Κ Κ Γ has swung out a chapter at the University of Michigan.

Δ Υ met in convention at Chicago the last week in October.

Φ Γ Δ graduated her last members at the University of Georgia last June.

Δ Φ has been added to the list of ladies fraternities at the University of Minnesota.

Θ Δ Χ, *Δ Κ Ε* and *Δ Φ* have all recently held general conventions in New York City.

Β Θ Π at her recent convention took favorable action on an application from Lehigh University.

Σ Χ returned one man at the University of North Carolina this fall, who has multiplied the number by six.

Ten men at Dickinson comprise the second living and third established chapter of *Σ Α Ε* in Pennsylvania.

Σ Χ established her Alpha Phi Chapter at Cornell University, October 10, 1890, with seven charter members.

The new *Α Δ Φ* house at Amherst was dedicated October 25, with a large number of alumni present.

The DePauw chapter of *Β Θ Π* has purchased the Dean Tompkins property and will occupy it as a chapter house.

There are but thirty men members of fraternities at Central University—divided equally between *Φ Δ Θ*, *Δ Κ Ε* and *Σ Ν*.

Β Θ Π has rented the Professor Kellicott residence at Ohio State University, located on the University grounds, and occupies it as a chapter house.

Julia Ward Howe could not be present at the *Κ Κ Γ* convention at Bloomington, Ill., last August, but sent her regrets in the shape of an excellent Convention Poem.

Though Wofford College correspondents have for a year spoken of a Δ Τ Δ chapter as existing there, the *Rainbow* has as yet made no mention of such an addition to its fraternity.

Last year the SCROLL announced that Β Θ Π was negotiating with Ζ Φ at the University of Missouri. During the summer these were concluded and the Ζ Φ local has become a chapter of Β Θ Π.

THE EAST—Sigma Alpha Epsilon has already become a power in western college life, and now the east is to be invaded, and our colors raised in fields where they are comparatively unknown —*Σ Α Ε Record.*

All the men's fraternities at Wisconsin University occupy chapter houses. Κ Α Θ the latest comer among the ladies fraternities has rented a good house, and is already an important factor in college circles.

Α Φ now has six chapters. The annual convention was held at Greencastle, Ind., October 1 and 2 with the Gamma at De-Pauw. Nineteen visiting Α Φs, besides the members of the local chapter were in attendance.

By the will of Frank Bidleman, (Union, '78), the sum of $40,000 was bequeathed to the Union Chapter of Sigma Phi. It is the intention of the chapter to build and endow a handsome building.—*Mail and Express.*

The Indiana University Chapter of Σ Χ enrolls the largest membership in that fraternity, 243. Indiana contains the largest number of residents, 503. Chicago, with 102, contains more Sigs than other city. The total membership of the fraternity is 3,879.

Of course it is pardonable for me to think that Chapter Nu is the best one in the University; but, in all candor, it must be admitted that the Kappa Alpha's, Phi Delta Theta's, and Delta Kappa Epsilon's, as well as ourselves, are candidates for first place. The Delta Tau Delta's have not re-organized this year; the Alpha Tau Omega's, the Chi Phi's, the Kappa Sigma's, and the Beta Theta Pi's have comparatively small chapters, though good ones.—*Vanderbilt Correspondence in Σ Α Ε Record.*

The American newspaper directory for 1890 gives the circulation of the Greek letter magazines as follows: "Alpha Phi *Quarterly*, 250; *The Beta Theta Pi*, 1,000; Chi Phi *Quarterly*, 750; Chi Psi *Purple and Gold*, 750; Delta Gamma *Anchora*, 250; Delta Upsilon *Quarterly*, 2,000; Kappa Alpha *Journal*, 500; Kappa Sigma *Quarterly*, 500; Phi Gamma Delta *Quarterly*, 500;

Pi Beta Phi *Arrow*, 250; Phi Kappa Psi *Shield*, 1,000; Sigma Alpha Epsilon *Record*, 500; Sigma Nu *Delta*, 500; Theta Delta Chi *Shield*, 750. All the others are not given.—*Δ Υ Quarterly.*

The closing session of the National Convention of the Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity was held this evening, and considerable routine business was disposed of. W. F. Christian, of this city, was elected Chief of the section composed of Indiana and Illinois, and Pittsburgh was selected as the place of meeting next year. Reports were made showing that charters for chapters in a number of small colleges had been refused on the ground that it is the policy of the fraternity to place chapters in colleges of the highest standing only. To-night the delegates banqueted at the Bates House, C. W. Fairbanks, presiding, and Prof. John Clark Ridpath and others responding to toasts.—*Indianapolis Cor. Cincinnati Commercial Gazette, October 25th.*

COLLEGES.

The matriculants this session at University of Virginia number 460.

Knox College won first place on the Illinois inter-collegiate oratorical contest.

The college authorities at Illinois Wesleyan have passed a rule forbidding the initiation of preparatory students into fraternities. Good!

D. L. Groner, *Φ Δ θ*, was elected President of Final Ball for 1891, at Washington and Lee University.

The University of North Carolina has completed a new building for its Medical Department at Chapel Hill.

Henry Wade Rogers, late Dean of the Michigan University Law School, entered upon the Presidency of Northwestern University, Nov. 1st.

Butler University is again the foot-ball champion in Indiana, winning the deciding game from Purdue, Thanksgiving. Wooster holds the same place in Ohio.

The great Yale–Princeton foot-ball game in which so much interest centers was played before 35,000 spectators in Brooklyn, Thanksgiving afternoon. Yale won by an easy score of 32 to 0, and Princeton was relegated from the place of last year's cup winner to third place, as Harvard had already defeated Yale.

It is a matter for congratulation that the University of Chicago is to be re-organized and opened under such auspices as will



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be brought about by the princely gifts of John D. Rockefeller, who has given altogether $1,600,000 to the institution. The productive endowment of the university will be over $1,800,000.

The daily newspapers of Nov. 13th, contained brief accounts of the serious affray between students and militia at Ann Arbor, on the evening of Nov. 12th. The post office at Ann Arbor is a time honored place for the assembling of university students at the seven o'clock evening distribution of mails. The room is long and narrow, the boxes running up to the front of this like a long letter U, a news and stationary stand crowding up close to the east side. The lock boxes are to the rear and call boxes in front. Many a harmless rush has taken place here when at the opening of the windows, lock-box men have begun to push out as call-box men crowded toward the windows. At other times the complexion has been more serious—counters being upset, box-glasses broken, policemen called, and heads bruised.

A few evenings before the affair about to be mentioned some trouble began at the old time rushes at the post office, which led to a strained feeling between town authorities and the students. On the evening of Nov. 12th, the local military company was out making a call on a newly married member of the company. As they departed a salute was fired. Students hearing the firing and thinking some new difficulty had arisen hurried to the spot until nearly a thousand were assembled. Later as the military company started away the students followed, yelling and "guying" the company. It was then that the officer in command gave orders to charge upon and disperse the students. Most of these fell back, but a hand to hand fight ensued in which musket butts, clubs and stones were used. In this a student, Irving Dennison from Toledo, was struck a terrific blow over the eye, by a musket, fracturing the skull, and causing death a few hours later. Mr. Granger, commanding the company, who gave the order for the charge, received serious injuries from a thrown stone. The affair has naturally cast a deep gloom over the university and town. Blame is attached to both sides, but the action of the officer in ordering a charge when the students were in no way offering physical molestation is much deplored and censured. Rewards have been offered for the detection of those concerned in the blows ending fatally.

EXCHANGES.

The subjects calling for special comment in the November number of the *Sigma Chi Quarterly* are the establishment of the Alphi Phi Chapter at Cornell University, and the publication of the *Sigma Chi Catalogue and History.*

The accounts of the former consist to a large extent of an address delivered to the new chapter by Dr. Ziegenfuss of Poughkeepsie, and a poem written for the occasion by Prof. M. M. Miller of Princeton, a member of the Wooster chapter.

From the address to the chapter we clip two paragraphs which are not lacking in pith:

"In the furtherance of culture you can pleasantly do so much for each other. Without in the least giving unwise or unlawful assistance you can yet smooth the way many a time for your brother. You will have great patience with those who are slow of insight or halting in speech. You will encourage the timid. By fine tact you will mend their methods or their manners. Amend and commend. You can stimulate some to self-reliance and self-expression. Is that not a worthy mission? Is it not the deed of brother unto brother? Manliness is admirable, especially when conjoined with fine and varied culture, but how doubly admirable when it is infused of a considerate and loving spirit."

"You have come together here of your own choice. You were friends and companions; of mutual desire you are still that, and more than that, you are brothers. When you meet a member of our fraternity the heart warms toward him, and you take hold of his hand with a grip that is more than a mere taking and letting go again. So there is a culture of the affections also. The heart has its longings as well as the mind. The true man loves sweetness as well as light. It is not good for man to be alone. Solitariness leads to singularity, when not to downright madness. You are here a band of brothers who have vowed to be socially, intellectually, and morally helpful to each other. You know that you can, in a special manner, trust each other, and are sure of sympathy and assistance in all things right and lawful. Your labors will be more earnest, yet less arduous; and the joys and gladnessess of life will be enhanced for you an hundred-fold."

Work on the Catalogue and History of Sigma Chi which has just been issued was begun in 1884. Mr. C. A. Wightman, was the first chief worker, and did much to get the historical and biographical manuscript into form. This however has since been increased and revised by W. L. Fisher who in 1885 assumed chief editorship and who has had associated with him Charles Alling, Jr. To one not a Sigma Chi more than to the members is interest drawn to the illustrations of the book. These have been taken from photographic negatives, and show the buildings at the colleges where $\Sigma\ X$ is represented. The feature is new and excellent, adding infinitely to the value of the book. Nearly fifty pages are devoted to a sketch of Sigma Chi, briefly touching on the development of the fraternity system, and plunging into more detail in explaining the origin of $\Sigma\ X$.

Following this is the catalogue proper, in which each chapter is represented (1) by illustration showing college buildings, (2) college sketch, (3) chapter sketch, and (4) chapter list. (1) and

(2) are uniformly good. (3) generally takes a certain vein that would make them all as having been moulded and dressed after a pattern. Each one cites the historical facts connected with origin and progress, and each has the halo which every enthusiastic fraternity man delights to picture around the chapter of his choice.

In the list of members the biographical data is made complete enough, and ranks this part with the last publications of Δ Υ, Ψ Υ, Φ Δ Θ, Β Θ Π, Λ Δ Φ &c. Secret symbols, wisely, are not used.

Of the 3879 members of the fraternity 806 are enrolled as attorneys, 337 as merchants, 287 as clergymen, and 254 as physicians. 335 members are dead. Mechanically the book is above criticism, the more than 700 pages being well printed and bound.

The September and October numbers of *The Shield* of Phi Kappa Psi lead off with a review of college annuals similar to that of the SCROLL in its October number, and which Mr. Van Cleve makes extremely readable. The *Shield* ought to congratulate itself that there are such places as Cincinnati and Springfield in the Φ Ψ realm. The former with E. A. Daumont (of the John Church Music House) is constantly bringing forth some new Phi Kappa Psi Waltzes or Marches, and lastly, a neat thing, a button to display the colors. The latter always has an appetising menu to decorate a page, or if that be absent, replaces it with the "Program" of a good "Musical." Such loyal contributors and staunch supporters do much to put life in any journal as they do in the *Shield*.

"Δ Κ Ε's in the Fifty-first Congress" of which there were eighteen, opens the October Δ Κ Ε *Quarterly*, and is accompanied by three half-tone plates showing likenesses of all but one. Chief among these are Randall S. Gibson, Wm. D. Washburn and Matthew C. Butler. Δ Κ Ε has a new catalogue which we have not seen, but which involved an amount of work that an article on "The New Catalogue" well implies. Phi's can read this clipping and gain some idea of what an undertaking the editors of our own work in preparation have on hand:

"To these gentlemen, then, the credit of the present Catalogue is due. On every working day during the past three years at least one, and often two of them, has spent from five to fourteen hours on work of the same kind which sends so many insane from the United States statistical bureaus; and during all this time from three to six clerks have been steadily employed on purely clerical work, No one unfamiliar with this class of work can form any idea from the completed volume of the labor necessary to produce it. About 50,000 letters and circulars have been sent out, in some cases as many as eight autograph letters to a single individual, and an average of five communications to

every man in the Fraternity. Personal visits have been made to San Francisco, New Orleans, the Army and Navy Department at Washington, and to most of the chapters, for the purpose of examining and collecting records."

In an editorial under the caption "A Note of Progress" is mentioned the fact the *Quarterly* now gives four numbers to the volume instead of three. Would it have been out of place to put under the same heading the note that hereafter chapter correspondents would be expected to sign all letters, substantiate their statements if necessary. and that each letter should be a *truthful* representation of fraternal conditions at the time it was written? The last three numbers of the *Quarterly* have given a department,—that of "Notes and Clippings,"—which has never before appeared and which must add to its interest as a news bearer to Δ K E's. No attempt was made to reply to our editorial in the June SCROLL.

The readers of the *Δ T Ω Palm* for the past year have been served with vigorous articles on Pan-hellenism, which subject has received the undivided attention of the editor W. T. Daniel. In fact the title page of the April number announced it as "*Palm, the Pan-Hellenic Magazine*," but this was wisely returned to "*Palm, Official Organ of the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity*," in the July number. Besides the announcement of new chapters, of which the fraternity has had several the past year, its pages have given principal attention to the Pan-Hellenism, advocating —first, a conference of delegates from all fraternities, the object of which would be to promote a tangible code of ethics between all general fraternities, as well as to raise the standard of the system generally. The *Palm* suggests the following as articles for a general platform:

"I.—No expelled Greek shall be admitted to membership in any other Greek Fraternity.

II.—No person under fifteen years of age not attending a reputable college shall be admissible to membership of any Fraternity.

III.—National annual or biennial conventions of similar character to consider ways and means for the cultivation and improvement of Greeks in the arts, sciences, fraternal and college life to be held."

Second, the *Palm* is endeavoring to establish the publication of a "Pan-Hellenic Supplement" which shall be devoted to articles of a general nature, interesting to all fraternities alike, the discussion of pan-hellenic questions, and the collecting of fraternity news notes. Such a supplement has been twice issued as a part of the *Palm*, but Mr. Daniels desires to see it edited by the editors of Greek journals generally, made a department of each magazine, and the expenses shared pro rata. In connection with this he also recommends the establishment of a bureau for

collecting news items, and doing the clerical work involved in all our publications.

Among our exchanges are *The Key* of *K K Γ*, *Kappa Alpha Theta Journal*, *Anchora*, Alphi Phi *Quarterly*, and *Arrow* of *Π B Φ*. Besides containing articles on questions as pertinent to the men's fraternities as their own, they set an example in another respect that is worthy of masculine imitation. Long as we have read these journals we have yet to find the contributions where invidious comparisons have been made or slurs cast upon rivals. Letters may indulge in personal praise and boasting, but it is never done in the way which we find so common in the chapter letters of some of our men's fraternities where the defeat or downfall of a rival is the sweetest morsel rolled on the writer's tongue. We congratulate the ladies on their courtesies.

Few editors have done more yeoman service for their fraternity than have those of the last volumes of the *Kappa Alpha Journal*. Last year they gave nine numbers of over 48 pages each, and promise to do the same this year. The *Journal* may lack some of the conservative dignity of older cotemporaries, but is surpassed by none in its enthusiastic, well balanced devotion to Kappa Alpha interests. It is edited by a corps selected by and under the supervision of the Vanderbilt chapter. Its review of exchanges is always sprightly. In an editorial on fraternity publications the *Journal* says, speaking of the handsome appearance of some of the Greek-letter magazines now, that "One first-class exchange will do more to arouse the latent energy of the editors of a magazine than a thousand exhortions spoken or written," which hits very near a truth. A contributor in the October number advocates that the charter-granting plan be changed from the "one man power" so that a committee or council of four, of which the editor of the *Journal* shall always be one, shall have the power by unanimous vote, under proper limitations of granting charters.

The October *Beta Theta Pi* is devoted largely to convention accounts, but in the editorial department is a note on "Fraternity Initiations" which is so much to the point that we clip it. It voices no less the attitude of Phi Delta Theta towards her initiates. In fact any departure from the tone mentioned means a shattering of many ideals that that chapter and members would otherwise attain:

In a gathering of Betas not long ago, the older members fell to comparing notes as to the way in which they had been initiated into Beta Theta Pi. Each recalled the incidents of the occasion with vivid and unqualified pleasure. To each it was a time of pleasant memory, not only as the beginning of a series of friendships that had grown more

and more precious to him, but also because of the very manner of his introduction into the fraternity. In no case had there been anything approaching to thoughtless rudeness or positive insult under the guise of fraternal privilege; but a simple, manly, earnest and affectionate dignity of bearing had characterized the initiation from first to last, harmonizing with and greatly enhancing the effect of the ceremony.

It is pleasant to know this, and profitable to remember that the traditions and the precedents of Beta Theta Pi require that our initiations be, in their minutest details, thoroughly in harmony with their main purpose, the reception of a gentleman tried and recognized as worthy, into a band of brothers who themselves are gentlemen. Nowhere, indeed, is rudeness, under whatever name or form, more grotesquely out of place than in a fraternity initiation. Some forms of hazing are perhaps innocent enough in their place, and may be allowed to exist to the pleasure of many and the profit, it may be, of a few whose verdancy cannot be so speedily gotten rid of in any other way. But surely no form of rudeness or ridicule has any place in an initiation into a fraternity.

The November *Σ A E Record* is illustrated with the *Kaldron* plate, "Allegheny College Chapter Houses," used in the October SCROLL, the new heraldic plate of *Σ A E*, by E. A. Wright, and a wood-cut of Noble Leslie De Votie, founder of the fraternity. The *Record* is edited by J. G. Capers, Greenville, S. C. His most enthusiastic contributors are from the chapters at Mt. Union (Ohio) College and S. W. Presbyterian University, Clarksville, Tenn.

NOTE.

The frontispiece illustration in this number is from the '91 *Gul*, kindly furnished by Massachusetts Alpha.

The upper left hand shows "Morgan Hall with gymnasium in the back ground"; the upper right, "Old Hydrant with West College (built 1790)"; the lower left, "Goodrich Hall"; lower right, "Chapel"; and center, "Main street, looking towards the College." The University of Virginia plate is from *Corks and Curls*, received since our Review of Annuals. The plate is furnished by J. S. Bridges & Co., Baltimore, printers of the book, and Virginia Beta.

POT-POURRI.

The editors of the catalogue expect to add to the chapter lists the names of all members initiated this year, so far as they possibly can, and for that reason every chapter should be very prompt in forwarding to the proper editor the names of initiates, up to the time of going to press with catalogue.

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Dan. W. Wright, Ohio Beta, '91, was married to Miss Grace Gilbert at Worthington, Ohio, their home, Oct. 23, 1890.

Following this happy event Brother Wright was called in November, to mourn the death of his father, Judge Wright, who had been in poor health for some time.

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Brother Randolph writes that the edition of the song book has been exhausted, the few copies that were unsold having been destroyed by fire.

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[READING MATTER ON NEXT PACE.]

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On Wednesday, December 3rd, Hon. Isaac M. Jordan, of Cincinnati, one of the six founders of the Sigma Chi Fraternity, fell through the elevator hatchway in Lincoln's Inn Court building and was instantly killed. Mr. Jordan had been talking with the Hon. C. W. Baker by the elevator entrance, and was about to leave to attend the B. P. I investigation before which he was summoned to give testimony. Finding the gate partly open he slid it back supposing the elevator was at that floor, and stepped in. He was precipitated to the cellar below receiving such injuries as to cause instant death. Mr. Jordan had attained eminence in public life, and has always retained an active interest in the fraternity he helped to found. Phi Delta Theta extends her warmest sympathy to Sigma Chi in his loss.

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Hon. Edwin H. Conger, of Illinois Zeta, '62, who for two sessions has represented his district in the lower House of Congress, has been appointed U. S. Minister to the new Brazilian Republic, and sailed with his family Nov. 12th, from New York. They will be on their voyage 28 days.



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THE CHAPTER FIRESIDE.

What a dear old place this Fraternity fire-side is to me! As I sit in the warmth and look into its face, it seems to me that surely it understands my thoughts and longings and with ruddy heart-beats throws out to me its generous waves of warm sympathy.

I have been in many places and sat at their firesides, and each one has its individuality that makes it stand out separate and alone from others. They all seem to be of an absorbent nature. They take unto themselves in some mysterious ways the lives and sympathies of their surroundings, and when you sit down before them, and look into their faces in that fashion which says "Now here I am. My day's work is over, and I want some one to talk to. What can you tell me? Have you anything that will interest a wayfarer like me? Out with your stories, and tell me what you have found in your daily life, worth storing up to pass the hours with those who come to sit with you," they flash back a look at you, wonderfully in harmony with their usual surroundings, but strangely out of keeping with the longings of your own nature. One throws out a sordid grasping flame, as though it would take hold of you, go through your pockets to see if there was money enough about you to make it worth while to furnish you warmth. Of another every crumbling of the coal into ash voices a misery, and recalls sorrows past but not forgotten. Another may answer with a hospitable glow, brimming with good-will, but lacking those grades of finer feeling which it must have to strike the responsive home chord within you.

But here as I sit at my chapter fireside I find one that brings to me more of the good thoughts, pleasant memories, and high aspirations than any other save the "old home" place. In fact

cannot be present, and if they cannot, to send a letter to be read on the occasion. These would add to the interest, and then the whole affair could end up with a modest supper that would cost but little. I find there's nothing like a little meat and drink to emphasize the pleasant things in life.

If you do this I'll do my part. If I can't be with you, as I probably can't, I'll send you the best substitute I can by letter.

Remember me to all the boys, and let me hear from you.

Yours in Φι–χεαί.

ROGERS.

"Now boys," said Morton, "the best way that I know of to indorse what Brother Rogers has written and to bring the matter before the chapter, is by motion. I therefore move that this chapter hold special exercises on Wednesday evening, February 18, 1891, to conclude with refreshments, and that the chair appoint a committee of three to make plans for the same."

I was actually disappointed that Morton had not taken his seat when he finished the letter, for I had wanted to make the motion myself. There were half a dozen of us on our feet as soon as Morton had spoken, each one clamoring for recognition and all calling out "I second the motion."

The motion was carried with a hurrah, and we are going to have a good time Alumni Day, if anybody does.

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"Stir the fire Charlie, and make those flames leap up while we practice those songs. You'll have to get that guitar up a little higher for the piano, Frank. There, that's it. Now for some good Phi music."

AMERICAN COLLEGE FRATERNITIES.

In the SCROLL for December, 1883, will be found a full review of the Second Revised Edition of this book, the Fourth Edition of which is just now from the publishers' hands. With the exception of a small book of but fifty pages, published early in 1879 by A. P. Jacobs, Ψ Υ, of Detroit, Mr. Baird's book was the pioneer which rendered accessible trustworthy information concerning the extent and standing of the several college fraternities. But few fraternity magazines were published at that time, and of those, it was intended that the circulation of each should be strictly confined to the membership of the fraternity in whose interests it was issued. Naturally, fraternity men hungered for a knowledge of the extent, standing and membership of rival societies. Without this, one could not know even the standing of his own fraternity in the Greek world, as he had no basis of com-

parison. To meet this want, Wm. Raimond Baird issued the First Edition of his book of the title given above in 1879. A First Revised Edition, differing in no essential particulars from this was issued in 1880. The book was a marvel when we consider the chaos from which its information had to be drawn. It had errors and omissions in abundance, but a consideration of the circumstances attending the work make these few to what could have been expected. Its publication laid the foundation for better knowledge in this field and the succeeding ten years have seen this knowledge grow from day to day. Fraternity antiquarians have solved many knotty problems in the history of their organizations in this period.

The Second Revised Edition of this book was issued in 1883. It noted the many changes in chapter rolls and membership that three years had brought about and a few changes were made in the text. The seven years from 1883 to 1890 have seen greater changes than any similar period in the future will likely ever see. This together with the enlightenment that had come in historical matters made this edition a much desired one. But, however much knowledge concerning the history and standing of fraternities may be in the possession of well-posted members of these, it is quite another thing for any one man to get hold of these facts, unfavorable as well as favorable, to use them in an unbiased summary of the whole system. Mr. Baird speaks of this in his Preface at considerable length, and we quote the following paragraphs:

> The principal sources of error, however, have been ignorance and bias. In some few instances, persons who were most conversant with the facts concerning a particular Fraternity, could not be reached, or were unable from extraneous circumstances to furnish the information desired, while it was often necessary to accept statements emanating from less trustworthy sources. Many well informed Fraternity men, too, seemed unwilling to state facts without opinions or conclusions, and some declined to furnish any information whatever, unless the writer would agree to print it as received, or to suppress, or vary, statements supposed to be unfavorable to their respective societies. The author was solicited to omit Chapters which had proven to be failures, or to suppress well-founded allegations of discreditable circumstances in the history of various societies, or to add opinions concerning the standing of Chapters unwarranted by the facts. Each Chapter that had escaped bankruptcy for five years desired to be especially mentioned as "prosperous;" each Chapter renting or owning a house for the accommodation of its members desired to have it stated that it occupied "a magnificent Chapter-house and possessed an enviable social position;" each Fraternity desired to have itself noted for the loyalty of its Alumni, and when small in point of numbers affected to regard that as a virtue and [illegible] to be classified as "select;" each Fraternity whose Chapters [illegible] distribution [illegible] to appropriate the adjective

"national," as its exclusive property; while there was a constant, not to say violent, strife, to have it noted that one or another Fraternity was first to adopt some peculiar feature of administration or symbolism, and nearly every account submitted to the writer for his information, was embellished by numerous adjectives of commendation.

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It must be borne in mind, that the comparative importance of the Fraternities cannot be estimated by the number of pages devoted to them, the description of a Fraternity having few Chapters, all of whom have prosperously lived their term of existence naturally requiring less space than that of another having a large list of Chapters experiencing many vicissitudes. A Chapter may be in fine condition as compared with that of its immediate neighbors, yet its actual position in the fraternity world may not make it worthy of special mention, and the inference may be safely drawn by the reader that all of the Chapters not specially noted are in good condition and moving on the even tenor of their way.

This gives very well a description of the difficulties that will always be in the way of getting material for a book of this character. It may be that somebody will yet come in the field with one published on a different basis, one in which no adverse criticisms are made, in which every fraternity will be written up by some enthusiastic member of it in a way that will suit his own, if not the queen's taste. Every good and indifferent event will be noted as an unparalled achievement, while the mantle of charitable forgetfulness will be wrapped about all shortcomings and failures, unless these be construed into a wise policy, in which the expression "at this time there was a depression in the affairs of the college, the class of students were of inferior quality and rather than take in any but the best, the chapter resigned its charter" shall be used. And possibly the "subsequent condition of the college has not warranted its revival" may be called into requisition. Under such a plan the book would be popular as members of every fraternity would gladly buy it to see in print such a glowing tribute to their own. But with such a book it would be very difficult to pick out the hard facts, which after all are what we want, and from which we can draw safe conclusions. These facts, plain and unornamented, Mr. Baird has given. It is ours to color them with opinion as we choose. In closing his preface he acknowledges special indebtedness to Brother W. B. Palmer and C. N. Ironsides, ($\Lambda\ \Phi$), in addition to many others unnamed for valuable aid and suggestions.

The first section of the book, which, under the head of "Greek Letter Fraternities," treats of Nomenclature, Insignia, Development of the System, Classification and Characteristics, &c., has been re-written and extended, but is not markedly different from that in the old. $\Lambda\ \Delta\ \Phi$, $\Psi\ \Upsilon$ and $\Delta\ K\ E$ are given as

types of Eastern, *B θ Π*, *Φ Δ θ*, *Φ Γ Δ*, *Σ X* and *Φ K Ψ* of Western and *K Δ*, *Σ Δ E* and *Δ T Ω* of Southern Fraternities. He says further on—

"Some Fraternities belong more or less to all sections, and within the past ten years the more progressive Southern and Western Fraiernities have placed Chapters in the Eastern and Middle States and are gradually gaining a strong foot-hold in this section."

Under the head of "Membership and Chapters" the author refers to the constant rivalry between Chapters and says "the multiplication of societies has led in many cases to an indiscriminate scramble for members at the beginning of each year and has in it the germ of the downfall of the entire system, unless Fraternities foresee the danger and make a united effort to avert it. This has been done at some colleges by an agreement between the Chapters that no new student will be pledged until he has matriculated for a certain length of time agreed upon." In closing up the section on development before this he has said—

"It is not expected, however, that many new Fraternities will arise. Those that have originated within the past twenty-five years do not compare in standing and influence with the older organizations, and some of them have united with the stronger orders. The next step in the development of the fraternity system will be in the direction of consolidation. The Colleges of good standing are well supplied with Chapters of the older societies, and new ones do not so readily gain the attention and allegiance of the students."

The paragraph on chapter houses has been considerably enlarged and we quote the following pointed sentiment:

"It is a fact common in human experience, that people are more deeply interested in things upon which they have spent time, effort or money than in things which they have acquired without either, and the interest of alumni has never been so fully aroused and maintained by any feature of fraternity life as by the efforts which have been made to build chapter lodges and houses. The creation of building funds, the frequent consultations as to plans and the consideration of ways and means, have intensified the interest of alumni in the way that nothing else has done. All of this has resulted in direct benefit to the Colleges and the wiser among College officials are encouraging the development of this feature of fraternity life in every way possible. The advantages of the chapter house system are not altogether on the side of the student. They relieve the Colleges from the necessity of increasing dormitory accommodations, and also of many of the details of supervision over the actions of the students.

If this feature of fraternity life is not carried to a point of senseless rivalry, it may ultimately change the course of college development. The Chapters forming little independent communities, may, in time, grow into something like the English Colleges. Already, in the establishment of chapter libraries, prizes and scholarships, we may see an indication of the time when Chapters shall have their own instructors

and professors maintained by permanent endowment, and relieving the College of much of the preliminary and subsidiary work of instruction, and taking from its hands the entire control of the discipline of the students."

The last sentence anticipates a condition of affairs that few of the most sanguine believers in the future of the system would agree to, but when we compare to-day with forty years ago, we must admit that the Chapters may adapt themselves to possibilities in the education of College men which we can now scarcely imagine. The chapters on the "Legal Status of the Fraternities" and "Have They a Right to Live," are practically the same. The statistical tables for 1890 show a total membership of 106,822 for all Greek letter organizations. 3,876 belong to locals; 3,363 to professional; 7,303 to ladies; and 92,279 to men's general fraternities.

Of these Δ K E has the largest membership, 10,358. Her Yale Chapter numbers 1,538, an increase of 300 in seven years. The Harvard Chapter has gained 340 in the same length of time, an average of about fifty initiates a year. Ψ Υ is second with 7,124. Her Yale Chapter has increased about the same as that of Δ K E. Β Θ Π is third with 6,985, which includes some of the alumni membership of absorbed societies. Φ Δ Θ has a membership of 6,803, placing her fourth. Α Δ Φ has 6,236, which is likely an underfigure, as the chapter list credits her Hamilton Chapter with only 111 members, while that Chapter enrolls 400 at least. The figures for Northern Κ Α are also in error, the membership of the Cornell Chapter being omitted from the total. In this way figures have made mistakes in many places in the book, a thing scarcely avoidable where so many are used. Important dates in fraternity histories have been more carefully looked after, and errors with these are few. The main portion of the book is taken up with the detailed accounts of the separate Fraternities as before, but it was in this part that the great work of revision had to be done—to follow all the Fraternities through their development and changes in the last ten years.

The Fraternities are listed alphabetically and the accounts appear in that order. In the Second Revised Edition, the account of each Fraternity was prefaced by a steel plate, showing the badge or some design of the Fraternity, but this feature was found very expensive, so in this one we find a wood-cut of the badge at the head of the list of each Fraternity. The article on Phi Delta Theta occupies over seventeen pages and is the same as that which appeared from the pen of W. B. Palmer, as a supplement to the October SCROLL. It is a fair and impartial review of the development of Φ Δ Θ, not written for any varnishing effect, and it is a compliment to Brother Palmer that the author found nothing in it for outside criticism to modify.

The sketch of every Fraternity in the book has been re-written and brought to date, but this has not made a great change in the tenor of most of them. The absorption of the Mystical Seven Chapters at Virginia, North Carolina and Davidson has added the account of this Fraternity and its list of Chapters to those of *B θ Π*. The author, after speaking of the old Wesleyan Chapter of Mystical Seven going over to *Δ K E* and the transferring of the rites to an open Senior Society, says "this Senior Society since the revival of the Temple of the Wand, and the union with Beta Theta Pi, has claimed to be a legitimate continuation of the old Chapter." When Beta Theta Pi organized a dispensation Chapter at Syracuse and when on finding at Wesleyan that *Φ N θ* was not absorbable, she organized another one there and conferred upon these the secrets of *B θ Π*, we supposed it was because she was looking forward to bona fide Beta Chapters. From later arguments we are led to believe that these were movements to revive long dead Mystic Chapters and the *B θ Π* dispensation was simply a means of holding the men together until they succeeded in their object, and it was only after the accomplishment of this, that they, taking part in an absorption which strengthened the Southern wing of *B θ Π*, became bona fide Chapters of that Fraternity. The Fraternity world is ready to grant that the Mystical Seven fraternity has lost its identity in *B θ Π*, but it seems that a desire to date an establishment away back to the misty past is causing *B θ Π* to lose a little of her identity in the Mystical Seven on the banks of the Connecticut. The Fraternity made good acquisitions in *Σ Δ Π* at Dartmouth, which had always confined its membership to the Chandler Scientific Department, and hence was not a direct rival of the other Chapters, and in *Z Φ* at Missouri.

Mr. Baird has endeavored to list in chapter rolls every Chapter established by any Fraternity, whether afterwards repudiated or not. This fact has swelled the list of inactive *Δ T Δ* Chapters from eleven in the 1883 Edition to twenty-six in this, besides eleven credited to W. W. W. though the Fraternity has lost but three Chapters in the meanwhile, two of these being by charter withdrawal.

The sketch of *X Φ* opens differently from what it did before, expressing the author's view on the origin of *X Φ*. We do not yet know whether it is indorsed by *X Φ*, but it seems like a very reasonable view of the case.

"The Chi Phi Fraternity as it is now constituted is the result of a union of three distinct organizations bearing the same name. The oldest of these is known as the Princeton order, and its origin is as follows; Toward the close of the year 1854, John McLean, Jr., then a Sophomore at Princeton College, discovered among some old papers a document which upon examination proved to be the constitution of a

college society, the motto of which was "Χριστου Φιλοι," and which had for its object the promotion of social and religious intercourse among its members. This constitution bore the number "1824" and was signed with several names. Communicating his discovery to two classmates, Charles S. DeGraw and Gustavus W. Mayer, he proposed to them that in conjunction with himself they should re-organize the society and after some deliberation they concluded to do so. They made promises of mutual secrecy, revised the constitution and in December, 1854, completed their organization, changing the purpose of the Society, however, by the omission of its more pronounced religious features. They also changed the motto of the Society, but retained its initial letters and let themselves be known thereafter as the Fraternity of "Χ Φ." It is proper to add here that nothing is known of any active life on the part of the Society previous to its revival by John McLean and his associates, or who its members were or why it became inactive, or whether the number on its constitution "1824" was the date of the origin of the society or of the writing of the particular document on which it appears. or was its significance. The old constitution was entrusted to one of the members, who lost it. The existence of the number "1824" upon this document is the slender basis upon which the Fraternity rests its claim to having been founded in the year 1824."

In the statistical table of the 1883 Edition, the date of the Chi Phi's founding is given as 1824, whereas in the present Edition it appears as 1854. The question in the author's belief, and that of most others seems to be not whether a Chi Phi Society existed at Princeton as far back as 1824, but whether the Chi Phi of to-day under the circumstances by which it came to be organized, can claim to be a logical continuation of the original society.

In the sketch of Σ Φ is the following:

"While each Fraternity claims for itself that its alumni are more than usually loyal, yet each would probably be glad to see an increase in the strength of the tie that unites its graduate and undergraduate members, and Sigma Phi is really entitled to pre-eminence in this respect."

Of the Southern Fraternities it speaks of Κ Α confining herself entirely to Southern institutions, and says she "stands very well." Of Σ Α Ε that "in 1880 and 1881, the Fraternity was at a very low ebb, but has rallied marvelously. The standing of the Fraternity has always been high in South-eastern States, elsewhere it is too young to have acquired any general characteristics." Of Α Τ Ω that "the society was projected as a national organization, and aimed from the first, to establish itself in the best institutions of learning in the country. Circumstances compelled it, however, to confine itself to the Colleges of Virginia, Kentucky and Tennessee until recently, when it has

actively prosecuted its original aim, and it now has Chapters in the North, South and West."

An examination of the lists of the general Fraternities shows, that of these, Northern *K A* is the only one who has not added to her Chapter roll since 1883. Her last Chapter was established at Cornell in 1868. Several—*A Δ Φ*, *Δ Ψ*, *Ψ Υ* and *Σ Φ*—have established but one each. These figures do not include revival of old Chapters, as the rolls of some of the Southern Fraternities have changed so frequently in this respect as to make such calculations difficult. *Σ A E* has added the largest number to her list of Chapters, twenty-one, of which seven are already extinct. *A T Ω* has added twenty, four of which are extinct.

To the list of ladies' Fraternities have been added Beta Sigma Omicron, a local at the University of Missouri; Delta Delta Delta (Tri-Delta) founded in 1888 at Boston, now enrolling five Chapters; and *Π B Φ*, which although established in 1867, had never been listed in the book from the fact that it at that time had no Greek name, being known as the "I. C. Sorosis," and was not confined to collegiate institutions. It is now in name, purposes and customs, similar to the other ladies' Fraternities.

The oldest and most widely known local Fraternities are *A Σ Φ* (Marietta), Berzelius and *Σ Δ X* (Sheffield), I K A (Trinity), *K K K* (Dartmouth), *Λ I* (Vermont) and *Φ N Θ* (Wesleyan). The membership of locals is less than 1883, as some have become absorbed, their membership being enrolled under the head of General Fraternities, and two have disbanded. Whereas, in 1883 the memberships were as follows: general fraternities, 67,941; ladies, 2,033; locals, 4,077, with a total of 74,051; they now appear, general fraternities, 92,279; ladies, 7,303; professional, 3,364; local, 3,876, with a total of 106,822.

As we have before said the book has its errors, but we imagine Mr. Baird has reduced their number below what any other man could have done. There is a little more fullness of details in regard to local and defunct societies that have affiliated with the Fraternity of which the author is a member, more because he is better acquainted with these facts than that he desires to magnify their importance.

It is the book that every man, to be a well-posted Fraternity man, should have. Phi's will find in it much to interest them, and we bespeak for it a goodly sale among our Chapters. The work of the Chapters can be made much more effective, if the members are in possession of the knowledge afforded by this book. The editor of the SCROLL will receive subscriptions for it. The price is two dollars per copy.

"WE SPIKE." "ARE SPIKED."

A TALK TO COLLEGE FRESHMEN.

What are you going to do about it?

The direction of every man and woman's life depends to a greater or less extent upon environments. One-half, at least, of the value of a college education results directly from college associations. Advantageous as may be the logical study of mathematical problems, important the profound research among the musty pages of classic lore, beneficial the technical investigations in the realms of metaphysics or speculative sciences, yet all these "pale their ineffectual fires" before the formative influences of college society and college associates in directing thought, in moulding character, in shaping lives. If the acquisition of knowledge, the mere mastery of the prescribed conditions of a college curriculum were the supreme purpose and end of education, one might often as well remain at home. If the mere dry technical facts which one may learn in public schools and college halls concerning the courts of the Amazon, the unseen power of gravitation, the wonderful mysteries of the nebular hypothesis, the spots upon the sun were the "summum bonum" of a practical education, one might as well and sometimes better pursue his investigations in the quiet round his father's fireside, on the swaying deck of a merchant-ship, in the busy marts of trade. But a college education means something more than this. Personal contact with ones equals and superiors; daily intercourse with progressive, broadminded and cultured professors; "rubbing up against" men impelled by kindred hopes and by common aims and common purposes, with the give and take which belongs to it teaches lessons all its own—lessons learned not nearly so well in any other line of life.

No one formative influence of a college course exerts over a student so marked a power, for evil or for good as the Greek letter fraternity with which perchance he may unite. In many cases it changes and moulds and directs his entire after life. Some times it develops, sometimes quenches long cherished hopes and fond ambitions. Sometimes destroys well wrought out plans, sometimes spurs on to high endeavor. Much depends upon the choice, therefore, that the "spikers" and the "spiked" may make.

The advantages of the fraternity system on a whole, need not here be discussed. Said Dr. John in his lecture on "College Ethics" a few Sundays ago: "I have said it often and now repeat it, that the fraternity system as it exists in DePauw to-day

is advantageous both to the university and the students." To dwell longer on the substance of the statement would perhaps be unnecessary and entirely out of place. The long settled and unvarying opinions of those who have, in times past pursued the university course, enforced by the calm better judgment of those who have as yet spent but a few weeks in our halls clinches the statement so conclusively as to need no argument. To dispute it were folly, to enforce it useless.

A word of explanation, of kindly warning, of friendly criticism however, just at this period of the year when everything is strange and hundreds of new students, unacquainted with our fraternity system are pouring into our university from every quarter of the nation seems to be demanded.

At such a time two inevitable questions must be met and answered.

One by the fraternity men: "In what new man can we find a congenial brother?"

The other by the new man himself: "With whom shall I unite?"

If the word fraternity means anything at all it means a "united brotherhood." If it means anything at all, it means a bond of closely united friends rallying round a common altar; a mingling of kindred spirits, actuated by common sentiments, common aims, common aspirations, a union of man with man struggling toward a common goal. If it implies anything at all it implies mental encouragement, kindly sympathy, a bond of friendship and fidelity.

Every fraternity has, either openly expressed or easily traced beneath the surface, some peculiar and distinguishing characteristics that differentiates it in more than name from every other. In some fraternities, to some men, there are unquestionable advantageous features; in other fraternities to the same men are peculiar traits that would prove detrimental. A fraternity advantageous to one man would be detrimental to many others. If the new man misses his proper position and becomes out of harmony with his surroundings, all his fraternity life and half his college life becomes a miserable failure. If he makes the proper choice he is bound to reap untold pleasures and advantages.

So important a choice ought not to be made rashly and lightly, but most deliberately and seriously. Fraternities are constantly changing in character and strength. Undue deference ought not, therefore be paid to the wishes or opinions of those who may long since have left the college halls. The immediate present and future prospects alone should be the deciding factors. Time and association alone will solve this perplexing problem. There is no need of haste. Beware of it. In this the sororities excel the fraternities. By a carefully preserved agreement the

ladies refrain from offering propositions to new students until at least six weeks after the opening of the new year, a custom that thus far has proven a grand success. Six weeks spent in association, investigation, and good work will allow but few mistakes on the part of the fraternities, and the new student, learning what brotherhood to him is most congenial; what policy best promotes his ambition; what society best fulfills his ideal will virtually drift into that fraternity with which he can best affiliate.

A new student should treat with the utmost suspicion any one organization that might seek to secure his pledge by casting slurs, by maligning the men, by attacking the standing of any other. Fraternities of reputation have long since spurned methods that by mud slinging and lieing would seek to instill prejudice and hatred. It is a misconception of words, it is a contradiction of terms to say that any organization is a brotherhood, that any fraternity is a fraternity that seeks to thrive by so foul a course. Better that such a perverted organization should go to the wall than prolong a miserable existence by such nefarious means. The fraternity that is willing to stand or fall on its own merits; that will give you an opportunity to investigate for yourself; that will refuse to say an adverse word of any rival organization, possesses at least the elements of manhood, can command your respect and as a rule be safely trusted.

When deception is wholly spurned, prejudice is blotted out, exclusiveness and selfishness are put to scorn, when the ideas of fellowship are duly exalted our beloved fraternities will fulfill more perfectly the purposes of their existence.

W. A. BASTIAN.

THE UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT.

The University of Vermont became a chartered institution in 1791 by act of the Vermont Legislature. This charter was amended in 1865 and the corporate name of the institution since that time has been the "University of Vermont and State Agricultural College." It was founded by the fathers of the Commonwealth, and continues under the auspices of the State, which is represented on its Board of Control by the Governor of the State and one-half of the Trustees. While the institution holds the name of "University" and has been well supported, yet it has never attained the proportions implied by the term university. At the same time it is more than an ordinary college. There is the usual department of Literature, Science and Arts, and in addition departments of Applied Sciences, Agriculture and Medicine.

It is located at Burlington, a city which prides itself upon the beauties of nature with which it is surrounded. Situated on the eastern shore of Lake Champlain, at the foot of the Green Mountains, looking across at the western horizon, from which the Adirondacks arise, it deserves the name so generally applied to it—the Queen City of the Lake. Whether it be from the lower level of Battery Park or from the more commanding summit of University Hill, the eye is greeted with a panorama of which it never tires, and which is as rich in beauty as it is in variety. The city is built upon a side hill which rises from the lake shore to a considerable elevation. The neighborhood is attractive, as such points as Fort Ticonderoga, Ausable Chasm and Mount Mansfield are within easy excursion distance.

The university grounds are situated on the elevation back from the lake, and a number of buildings, well adapted to the requirements of the school, have gradually taken their places to add to the beauty of the grounds. The main college was rebuilt in 1884. Of the university's buildings the chief one is the Billing's Library. This is a gift from the late Hon. Frederick Billings, of Woodstock, Vt. It is one of the finest representations of Romanesque architecture in this country, and its architect characterized it as the best piece of work he had ever done. "Its design is simple, at once suggesting a library. The construction is at the same time massive and graceful, rich and quiet. The impression of dignity and repose made by the exterior is still further enhanced by the interior, whose unexpected spaciousness, vistas of alcoves, breadth of general treatment, and pervading tone of seriousness and peace, make the true atmosphere of a library, and suggest the fitting home for books. There is now shelf-room for 100,000 volumes, with opportunity for indefinite extension. The library is so administered as to give the fullest opportunity for reading and research. It is open every day and all day during the college session, and the students have free access to the alcoves" It is open each Sunday also, for reading only, from two until five o'clock. Its total cost was over $150,000.

In front of the college stands the bronze statue of Lafayette, which is shown in the illustration given in this number.

The value of the grounds and buildings is put at $315,000 and books, apparatus and collections at $100,000. Its invested funds, including lands, amount to $365,000. The State gives $8,000 for industrial instruction and aid of poor students, while under the Morrill Bill of Congress, $15,000 was received last year, and this sum will be increased annually by $1,000 until it reaches $25,000. Thus the income from all sources amounts to between fifty and fifty-five thousand dollars. Until recently the courses of study admitted of few electives, but a fairly wide

range of these is now permitted in all the courses. The optional subjects embrace advanced studies of the Greek and Latin languages, literature and antiquities; advanced French and German, including studies in Comparative Literature; the higher Mathematics, including the Calculus and the New Geometry; History, continuing throughout the course; the Political and Social Sciences; English and American literature; Chemistry, theoretical and applied, with Laboratory work; Botany; Zoology; Biology; Anthropology; Metaphysics; the History of Philosophy; the theory and criticism of Fine Art. The degrees conferred in the Literature and Science Department are, B. A., Ph. B., C. E. and B. S.

Military instruction is given by a U. S. officer detailed for duty at the University, and battalion appointments are considered an honor among the students. The Athletic Association is an active one, it controlling Field Day and general athletics. The university is a member of the New England Inter-Collegiate Athletic Association composed of Amherst, Williams, Worcester, Dartmouth, Trinity, Wesleyan, Brown and Vermont. Baseball, Football and Tennis have their respective associations.

The publications of the students are *The Cynic*, a college magazine published every three weeks by editors chosen from the Senior and Junior classes, and *The Ariel*, the Junior Annual, of which four volumes have been issued.

The "U. V. M." is the title by which the institution is known among students more than by the "University of Vermont," this title bringing out the "Green Mountain" appellation of the State. The college colors are green and yellow, and the yell is

Rah, Rah, Rah! Rah, Rah, Rah!
U. V. M! Rah, Rah!

Only about ten Greek letter Chapters altogether had been established in American Colleges, when at the University of Vermont the system was introduced by the organization of the Λ *I*, or "Owl" society. This fraternity was organized in April, 1836, and it was not until nine years later that a chapter of a general fraternity was established there, the usual order being reversed, as in almost all cases locals have been organized only after the establishment of branches of chaptered fraternities. The sixth chapter of Σ Φ, established in 1845, was the first branch of a general fraternity to enter Vermont. It was to oppose a control in college affairs held by these two chapters, that a society called Δ Ψ was organized in 1850. It was avowedly anti-secret in character and sought to overthrow Λ *I* and Σ Φ. For awhile it was a member of the anti-secret confederation which was later merged into Δ Γ. This relation existed from 1851 to 1854 when it again became independent and local, the members of this period all retaining membership with the local chapter. As time

has passed and the environments of fraternities changed so that they became recognized as instruments for good among students, the character of Δ Ψ changed, losing its original anti-secret cast. For many years now it has been in all respects similar to and working in harmony with the other societies of the University. From 1850 to 1879 there were no permanent additions to the list of chapters. In 1852, Θ Δ X, then in its infancy, placed a charge there, but owing to the sharp rivalry of that time between the strong "Owl" and Σ Φ chapter on one side and anti-secret Δ Ψ on the other, and its being remote from other healthy sister charges, it died five years later.

The war, while it did not weaken the college organization, diminished the number of students, but following this there was an attendance that has grown slightly from year to year until at the present time the entering classes of department of art and science number from fifty to sixty. This increased attendance made possible a new chapter of good standing. In 1879 ten men applied to Φ Δ Θ for a charter, and established our Vermont Alpha chapter. The charter members were choice fellows worthy of the Fraternity. They worked carefully to put the chapter on solid footing, the numerical membership at first being below the average of the university, but by the time three freshmen classes had entered the chapter found itself with a strong membership, and in a position to cope equally with rivals. This position the chapter has defended more than successfully ever since Now after eleven years it is soundly established as a permanent factor in all U. V. M. affairs, It has initiated 107 members of whom 27 are in active connection at this time.

Δ T Ω entered the university in 1887 with her Beta Zeta chapter. A part of its history has been marked by little attention to fraternity affairs. It now enrolls a goodly membership. It has had some good scholars, but has not yet been established long enough to have taken on definite chapter characteristics.

In 1882 a new element was introduced in social life by the establishment of a chapter of K Δ Θ. The per cent. of ladies in attendance has always been small, but with the university requirements for admission, the material has usually been of such character as to permit of a chapter keeping a good membership. K Δ Θ has been very successful. The chapter has built a hall of its own, the second building owned by a ladies fraternity in the United States,

Summing up we would say that there are few schools in which all the chapters can be found in such well-balanced good condition as here.

EDITORIAL.

Annual Alumni Day, February 18, 1891.

THE Chapter House question is the question of the day in Phi Delta Theta. No other one comes to the chapters with as many demands for consideration as does it. In many quarters the securing of a house is the present condition for the continuation of a successful career. There is no avoiding this issue, particularly in places where rival chapters have secured these. The chapter does not come up to the heritage that $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ would give her members, if it is not able to confer upon its initiates the the house and home comforts that a rival offers. We must not only claim a leadership in the circle of good fellowship and lofty principles of Fraternity into which the initiate is inducted, but must keep with the leaders in the chapter home question.

To New York Epsilon congratulations are due, and THE SCROLL extends her heartiest. This chapter has just taken possession of one of the most desirable properties in Syracuse, and her home, the pride of the chapter, presents advantages unsurpassed by any chapter at Syracuse University. Let others follow her example.

WE commend to the chapters the article that appears in this number under the heading of "THE CHAPTER FIRESIDE," and trust that not one will fail to read it. It suggests a plan which all will find an excellent one to follow. Let the active chapters co-operate with the alumni, to make our Annual Alumni Day an important one in the Phi Delta Theta calendar.

THIS time the news comes from the far west—telling that Phi Delta Theta has not heard the last of her Alumni located in that city of much promise, Salt Lake City, Utah. There are some fifteen or twenty Phi residents there, and when the University Club movement there recently began to discover the fact to the Phi's that they were so numerous, they determined to organize

themselves into an association, with an alumni charter to hold them together. This has been granted and they are now regularly equipped as our own Salt Lake City Alumni Association, the Utah Alpha Alumni Chapter of Phi Delta Theta. They will have their initial spread on February 18, Alumni Day. Brother W. S. Ferris a charter member of the Williams chapter, and associated later with Alumni work in New York City and San Francisco is one of the leaders in the work. We extend our heartiest congratulations to these brothers that they have effected a chartered organization, and trust that they may flourish to celebrate Alumni Day for many years to come.

WE have another suggestion to offer to our chapters in the way of an observance of Alumni Day. Almost all wear the white and blue in honor of an initiation, and at important events in the college year, notably at commencement. Why not inaugurate the plan of displaying our colors on Alumni Day? The brothers who have gone out from the chapters are well worthy of this token of recognition by the undergraduates, and will learn to greatly appreciate all that it means. We can not make too much of these little things, which are the outward manifestations of a community of interests between the graduate and undergraduate Phi's. Wear your colors, brothers, on that day.

BEFORE another issue of THE SCROLL the annual circular letter of the chapters to their alumni members, sister chapters, and officers of the Fraternity will be due. Progression means that these for 1891 must surpass those of last year, and if this is the case there will be some good letters sent out, some that ought to make the alumni feel proud of the boys that sent them.

With others there is an abundance of room for improvement. Some have habitually neglected to make any mention of Alumni whatever, or to note any changes in the addresses of these. We warn the chapters now that without this feature they will find that the letters will elicit little of the interest they desire them to. Those who have been long out of college must have news concerning one another. Any one furnishing this is looked to as every bearer of good tidings is.

We would suggest that all those that have not done so, say something bearing on the chapter house question, and endeavor to open up communication with the more interested alumni, so that plans for pushing the scheme can be adopted. Don't send out an appeal for funds before you have conferred with some of the alumni, and adopted plans that you know are acceptable to their representatives. Having consulted them so that they know your plans, your request for financial aid will be much more effective.

Remember also that while all of your alumni receive the circular letter, few of them read THE SCROLL. Remind them that it has claims upon them, and that it is worth the one dollar a year asked for it, and don't fail to say that any mail addressed to THE SCROLL, P. O. Box 117, Columbus, Ohio, will reach it. We shall be glad to mail sample copies to any of the alumni reminded, who desire.

THE EDITOR from time to time during the current year has been in receipt of newsy, personal letters from the reporters of several chapters, which have given him an insight into the character of the chapters from which they came, and knowledge about local rivalry which he could not otherwise have had. We wish that many others of our chapter reporters could favor us in the same way. A personal letter to the editor could be more easily written than one for publication, and would give him such news as do not usually enter into the composition of chapter letters. The knowledge gained in this way is of much value.

It helps to decide the position and tone of THE SCROLL on many matters of interest, and better enables it to prosecute the interests of $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$ in the fraternity world.

It also encourages the habit of counseling with others outside of the chapter itself on matters of policy, and such exchange of opinion is always helpful. We would say to reporters, do not hesitate to write your personal letters unfolding your successes and ambitions, or if need be, confessing disappointments. Do not apologize for fear that you are burdening the editor with matter of no interest to him, as some may have done. On the contrary we want to hear from all, and if you offer any apology let it be for not writing sooner.

THE YEAR 1890 has passed and the Fraternity has well started on its history of 1891. The year just closed has been a prosperous one for Phi Delta Theta in every way, one in which the standing and dignity of the Fraternity was advanced upon many lines. It was an unusual one in this respect, so marked was the loyalty of the chapters to all of its interests. It was an unusual one in yet another. No charter was granted during the calender year. Look back over the roll of the Fraternity and you will see that from 1868 our growth was from chapter to chapter, a healthful enlargement of our body politic, without the interval of a calender year at any time, so that from 1867 up to 1890 there is not a year but what marks the beginning of the history of one or more of our chapters. In the forty-three years existence of the Fraternity only nine fail to record chapter establishments, and five of the nine are in the sixties when progression everywhere was stopped.

Since 1868 our development has been something that we can well be proud of. From local influence we have grown to National extent and importance. The high ideals and teachings of $\Phi\iota$—$\chi\varepsilon\iota\alpha$ are to-day being impressed upon more of the sterling college youth of our country than are those of any other fraternity, and none bring to their chosen altars more honor than do the Phi's to the triple faced one which bears the legend—$\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$.

We in Phi Delta Theta take particular pride in appropriating to our own title of National Fraternity. It is a name in which we glory. There are others besides $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$ who likewise appropriate the name, and with them we have no dispute over their so doing. It is one of which any fraternity can well afford to be proud when the facts justify its use, and Phi Delta Theta has her satisfaction not in a sole right to its use, but in knowing that her representation in American colleges renders the title one of greater significance to her than to any of her sister fraternities. There will always be Pharisees to say that we are welcome to the use of it, but every day brings to us the evidence that these same Pharisees are putting forth their best efforts to gain the heritage that is ours, whether they want the name National or not.

Not long ago one of our most esteemed exchanges fathered an item to the effect that the latest count gave our number of chapters as such a figure, and the phraseology of the item would seem

to indicate that our friend thought the number an unwisely large one. A year has passed since the item was published and we still hold to our friend's "latest count." Meanwhile the fraternity of which our friend is the organ has made a very reasonable progression so that an item concerning her similar to the one concerning Phi Delta Theta would be at this, the expiration of a year, decidedly obsolete. In other words our friend has found some good institutions that were not on her chapter roll and having met favorable opportunties for so doing, has established chapters therein. We have not yet heard the magical number at which she proposes to draw the line, and as her policy of conservatism, when numbering ten less chapters than at present, was defined in the same language as now, we may reasonably expect to see growth and extension as long as she continues to find favorable opportunities for chapter establishment in institutions of high grade. We take this case because it is to us illustrative of the position and policy of a goodly number of our rivals.

As for Phi Delta Theta we have noted the fact that 1890 is the first year since 1867 in which she has chartered no chapter. But 1890 found us with available territory well occupied, the Fraternity well established behind bulwarks in the leading institutions of all sections of our country, while 1867 saw us with this yet before us as a mere dream of conquest. What a realization is ours with our beloved Fraternity impressing the principles which laid the foundations for this growth — upon the daily lives of the representative college men of culture, North, South, East and West, without regard to latitude or longitude. The Fraternity has reason to congratulate itself on its position.

In our communications to chapter reporters we have endeavored to impress upon them that The Scroll is not the medium through which local prejudices are to be conveyed to the college and fraternity world.

If a piece of news that makes an interesting item of itself happens to reflect on a rival chapter, The Scroll has not always asked that it be omitted. What we have insisted upon is that there should be omission of all sentences, sentiments and comparisons which are made with the sole end in view of saying something disparaging of a rival. Between these two there is a wide

difference. We have often thought that a great deal of the criticism that has been heaped upon college fraternities for disturbance of college politics and abetting college law breaking, has been due to the letters of chapter correspondents who have "written up" rival chapters on the barest of excuses. A chapter whose members have failed of election to some coveted offices often denounce rivals of political scheming in stronger terms than the circumstances justify. In our long acquaintance with fraternity publications we have read not a few letters which were written with expressed purpose of "doing up" a rival chapter, and a careful reading of many of these revealed nothing but a defeat at the bottom of the whole affair. While these letters may not hurt the chapters against which they are written, or may not react directly upon the author, yet their presence in fraternity magazines helps to nourish the prejudice which a great many fair-minded people entertain against fraternities. An inspection of THE SCROLL files will find them as free from this criticism as any that can come forward. An inspection of more recent numbers will show that they contain little of disparaging criticism as such. A great deal of Pan-hellenism can be cultivated at home, and we desire that Phi reporters will see that no exceptions are made to their courteous mention of rivals.

THE APRIL SCROLL will contain an abundance of Alumni news, giving accounts of Alumni Day observance, together with a full complement of Personals, besides the regular departments. Reporters will oblige us by sending in as full personal news as they can. Newspaper clippings are especially desired. We desire to publish the full list of initiates of the year in the June number, so Reporters will please send in their lists promptly, giving class, name in full, and home address of each initiate since report for last June. The form as desired can be seen in the June, 1890, number.

CHAPTER CORRESPONDENCE.

ALPHA PROVINCE.

MAINE ALPHA, COLBY UNIVERSITY.

The winter term at Colby opens today with eighteen of Maine Alpha's members in attendance. We initiated another man December 1st, Bro. Eugene Lorrey, '93. After our new brother had become acquainted with all the mysteries of our Fraternity, we partook of an oyster stew.

As we return to our work we are pained to hear of the bereavement of Bro. Cottle, '91, whose father died Saturday, January 3d. He has the heartfelt sympathy of all the brothers. Bro. Cottle is to teach in Amity, Maine, this winter. Bro. Johnson, '92, is principal of the High School in Isleboro, Maine. Bro. Sheldon, '92, has accepted the principalship of Bridge Academy, Dresden Mills, Maine. This is an important and profitable position as this Academy will be a fitting school for Bowdoin, and has an endowment of $55,000. Bro. Sheldon will continue his class work as before. Bro. Singer, '92, is acting as principal of the High School at his home, Waldoboro, Maine. He will rejoin his class in the spring. Bro. Hight, '93, on account of sickness was obliged to leave college last term and has not yet returned. Bro. Clark, '94, sprained his ankle Christmas day and will be obliged to resume his studies later in the term.

Bro. Hodge, '94, has left Colby and Maine Alpha and entered Boston University. We are sorry to lose him, but wish him success in his new field of labor.

We are sorry so many of our number must be out this winter, but we who are in mean to get all we can out of our fraternity work. We are all united and on a good financial basis and see no reason why we should not have a prosperous term of chapter work even though diminished in numbers.

Yours in $\Phi\iota$——$\chi\varepsilon\iota\alpha$,

ALBERT G. HURD.

Waterville, Jan. 8, 1891.

VERMONT ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT.

The principal item of interest that Vermont Alpha has to communicate is one concerning our initiation which occurred Nov. 14th. At that time five Freshmen were helped to emerge from the darkness of barbarism into the light of Grecian culture. The initiates met with a very warm reception, and it will be a long time before they will forget the night that the mysteries of Phi Delta Theta were disclosed to them.

The following alumni were present and aided us in making the Freshmen enjoy themselves: Bros. Woods, '81, Sinclair, '82, Fisher, '84, Brigham and Stevens, '89, Forbes, Morgan and Parsons, '90, and Patridge and Greeley of N. H. Alpha.

After the initiation ceremonies had been completed we adjourned to the Hotel Burlington, where a tempting banquet had been prepared. After the inner man had been satisfied the toastmaster, Bro. Bosworth, rapped the table to order and called upon several of the brothers to respond to toasts. The wee small hours of the morning had approached when, having given "Rah, rah, rah! Phi—kei—a! Phi Delta Theta, rah, rah, rah!" we took our way up the hill to the "mill." Our initiates are: Charles B. Doane, Frank L. Dunham, Charles H. Mower, William J. Pollard and Edward G. Spaulding. We are sure they are brothers who will ever prove true and faithful to the principles of Φ Δ Θ.

Seven Phis are upon the Glee Club, which organization, under the management of Bro. Bosworth and the leadership of Bro. Avery, is proving to be the most successful one this college has ever had. It has given concerts in several of the leading places in the State.

Bro. Mould has been elected president of the Senior Class.

Yours in the Bond,

T. C. CHENEY.

Burlington, Jan. 10, 1891.

MASSACHUSETTS BETA, AMHERST COLLEGE.

This letter is written in the Christmas vacation, and consequently must, as far as college news goes, deal largely in "glittering generalities." In the Chapter the first term of this year was a successful one. The presence of the new men and the process of their growing into the life and spirit of the Chapter necessarily makes the work not so earnest or definite as is produced later in the year. The Winter term at Amherst, as we presume is the case at all other colleges, is the term for hard work, and the Chapter feels it no less than the class-room.

Each Tuesday night finds the Chapter together for a meeting which brings out the best efforts of the members. The literary exercises are the result of the hearty interest which insures good preparation. These weekly meetings prove a strong means of development in the members. Besides the regular Tuesday night meeting, usually, during the Winter term, the members meet at the chapter house on Saturday evenings for a general social time.

We were represented at the Alpha Province Convention by Bros. Fleet and Leach. Bro. Smith, '89, was also in attendance

going from Franklin, N. Y., where he is Professor in an Academy. The report brought back is a glorious time and a jolly crowd at Ithaca.

Just at the close of last term, unfortunately, when most of Massachusetts Beta could not attend, one of our charter members, Bro. E. H. Parkman was at the Congregational Church, Belchertown, about 5 miles from Amherst.

A suggestion was made a few months ago for a Fraternity flower and the carnation was recommended by one of our Chapters. It would appear to the writer that this flower is not the most appropriate for a Fraternity waving the white and blue, nor one which in the time-honored language signifies (I am told) "pride going before a fall" is the one to be preferred by us. However, I understand that this flower has already been adopted by another Fraternity, so a discussion of its merits belongs no longer to Φ Δ Θ.

Massachusetts Beta intends to keep open house to all Phis and would extend an invitation to any to visit us were it not for the fact that the matter of reaching Amherst is a fearful and wonderful thing to a stranger, owing to the *incomparable* railroad connections. However, we shall be glad to welcome anyone bold enough to undertake the journey.

HOWARD A. LINCOLN.

Amherst, Jan. 7, 1891.

NEW YORK ALPHA, CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

Our men all passed the fall examinations and it gives us great pleasure to report an unbroken circle. We have made some additions to it since our last letter. On December thirteenth we initiated Lewis Castle Freeman, '94, of Albany, N. Y. The fact that some hard rushing was indulged in made our prize the more to be appreciated. Brother Freeman is a gentlemanly, affable fellow and makes an enthusiastic Phi.

At the opening of the present term Brother Harry Whiting, '92, affiliated from Pennsylvania Epsilon. Brother Whiting wears a Phi Beta Kappa key and gives promise of gaining laurels in athletics.

January tenth was an evening looked forward to by several aching Freshmen. On that occasion we initiated Benton Strait, '93, of Skakopee, Minn. Brother Strait came here from University of Michigan last fall through the influence of Brother Fulton. He has taken a prominent part in athletics playing halfback on the Eleven.

We extend the heartiest congratulations to New York Epsilon for their recent good fortune. We hope that other chapters will see the advantages of the chapter-house system and hasten to adopt it.

By the will of the late Daniel B. Fayerweather, Cornell was given $200,000. A new building for the Agricultural Department will soon be built.

W. S. GILBERT.

Ithaca, Jan. 10, 1891.

NEW YORK GAMMA, COLLEGE OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

We are just back from our Christmas vacation, ready for work. Just before the holidays we held an informal social at the house of Bro. Greene, '93, to which we had invited some six or seven of the lower classmen. As a result we expect to enlarge our membership soon by the addition of some good timber. At the social we had some fine music by our zither and banjos, and will always remember the loyal Phi spirit and hospitality of Bro. Greene and his family.

New York Gamma is progressing. The Alpha Alumni is yearly receiving important additions and becoming more and more an influential factor in New York fraternity life.

This year we have the chairmanship of the editorial board of of the *Microcosm*, our college annual, Bro. Stern, '91, holding the position of chairman. Bros. Van Norman, '91, and Thompson, '93, are also members of the board. Bro. Dunscomb, '88, is studying law. Bro. Roeser, '90, is studying law at Columbia. Of the other brethren of '90, Bro. Walker is preparing for civil engineering at Boston. Bro. Grant will teach school in the northern part of the city. Bro. Angell is at Columbia.

The classes entering our College yearly now are so large that there is ample scope for the "rushing" of the five fraternities here represented. We do not initiate "Sub-Freshmen," but pledge them, and in the Freshman year they are ushered into the full light of Grecian culture.

LOUIS E. VAN NORMAN.

New York, Jan. 6, 1891.

NEW YORK EPSILON, SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY.

So great has been the change in the affairs of New York Epsilon since our last letter, that it seems hardly possible that only two months have elapsed. At that time the subject of a chapter house seemed removed to the far distant future, but now we are enjoying ourselves in what is without exception the most desirable and most elegant of any chapter house connected with Syracuse University.

It is situated on the best block of University Avenue, a street which is fourth to none in Syracuse as a residence street, and second to none as regards desirability for a chapter house location. These facts mean a good deal when it is remembered that Syracuse is a city of about ninety-thousand inhabitants.

The house was formerly used for a dwelling, but was remodeled last Summer and now presents an elegant appearance. It is of brick with mansard roof and three stories high. On the front and north side are wide verandas with a circular portico twelve feet in diameter on the corner.

The front door opens into a hall nearly square with a winding staircase. The floor is covered with rugs. The first door to our right opens into the front parlor and the second into the back parlor. The front parlor is furnished with an elegant parlor set, upholstered with blue and mixed brown. Pictures adorn the walls and lace curtains of the fraternity colors grace the windows. The back parlor which is used as an assembly and lounging room is furnished with a table and chairs of antique oak, a book case of the same material, an upright piano and a desk of black walnut. To the left of this room is one bed and study room. Behind these two rooms is a double dining room which will seat thirty-two persons. Three tables are arranged to seat six at each table and these can be placed together making one long table for banquets. In the rear of the dining room are the kitchen and bath room.

On the second floor are those rooms which are used for both bed and study rooms and two of which are used simply as study rooms. On the third floor are two bed and study rooms and one room with two beds used exclusively as a sleeping room. All these rooms are furnished alike in antique oak.

The house has water and gas throughout, but electric lights will soon be put in and a large one on the front porch bearing some inscription apppropriate to $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$.

We have secured as janitor, Mr. Lawrence Jones, (colored), who has been some years in the Wagner dining-car service, and waiter at the Leland Hotel in this city. His wife is cook and matron of the house.

The boys have been doing well in scholarship and social qualities. Bro. Larkin is President of the Freshman class. Before we write again we hope to initiate two or three new men.

New York Epsilon presents herself as a subject for congratulation to every chapter in the Phi kingdom. Address all communications to, $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$ Chapter House, No. 610 University Avenue, Syracuse, N. Y.

EDWARD D. RICH.

Syracuse, Jan. 10, 1891.

PENNSYLVANIA BETA, PENNSYLVANIA COLLEGE.

We closed last term's fraternity work with an initiation. D. W. Van Camp was the initiate. This makes the fourth man that we have added to our roll this collegiate year.

Although rejoicing in the success that has been ours, it is with deep regret that we announce the loss of two brothers, both of the class of '92, Bros. Laird and E. J. Cook. The former having left the institution, is now in the employ of the Adams Express Company. The latter thinking that Princeton University would furnish better advantages for a law student has applied and been admitted into the Junior class of that institution.

Three chapter houses now adorn the College campus occupied respectively by the Φ K Ψ, Σ N, and Φ Γ Δ chapters. Although we have been considering the matter for some time, we have not as yet made any very extensive arrangements for the erection of a chapter house but hope that in the near future Pennsylvania Beta may enroll herself among the fortunate ones.

Bro. Crouse who last year finished his course at our Theological Seminary is stationed at Harrisburg. He is meeting with excellent success as pastor of a Mission Church there.

Bro. John Deal, of Missouri Alpha visited Gettysburg during the Christmas holidays.

Wishing the chapters one and all a happy and prosperous New Year, I remain

Yours in the Bond,

EDW. O. KEEN.

Gettysburg, Jan. 8, 1891.

PENNSYLVANIA DELTA, ALLEGHENY COLLEGE.

The winter term at Allegheny opened January 5th and found seventeen loyal Phis promptly on hand. We are rejoiced to have again with us Bro. Ellis J. Chesbro,'93, who has been out of college two terms. The outlook for the term is bright and the chapter is not wanting in energy to make it a successful one.

The close of last term found our chapter in excellent condition, and the records of the examinations show that many Phis stand at the head of their classes. One of the most enjoyable features of our fraternity life last term was our Saturday evening meetings. They were very profitable and were enjoyed by all and served to bind us more closely together.

Since our last letter we have pledged Bro. Minor D. Crary, of Sheffield, Pa., and are proud to introduce him to the Phi world. The rule of not initiating preparatory students has proven a most admirable one, and as we are the only gentlemen's fraternity here which does not initiate "preps," in full, our standard has been considerably raised. Our policy in the matter of initiating men has been steadily growing more conservative and we are much stronger for it.

The appointments in the Military department were made the latter part of last term. Pennsylvania Delta secured the two

highest positions in the battalion Bro. Ross is Captain of Co. A. and Bro. Couse, Captain of Co. B.; Bro. Cotton also was appointed First Sergeant and Bro. Staples, Second Sergeant. At the last election of officers in the Philo Franklin Literary society, a Phi was chosen president.

The chapter, keeping up a custom it has had for several years, celebrated Thanksgiving in a substantial manner. On Thanksgiving eve we held an informal reception to our lady friends and spent a most enjoyable evening. Refreshments were served at the new Colt House. At each plate was a small bouquet of carnations and broad bands of white and blue ribbons with suitable printed inscription.

We recently enjoyed a visit from Bro. W. G. Warner, '81, who was in Meadville a few days after his return from Europe. Though he has been out of college ten years, he has lost none of his old time Phi enthusiasm. He was one of the Pennsylvania Delta's charter members.

We would be pleased to see, at any time, members or alumni of other chapters. Our latch string is always out to Phi's.

Yours in the Bond,

CLARENCE ROSS.

Meadville, Jan. 8, 1891.

PENNSYLVANIA ZETA, UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA.

Permit me to present to one and all, Bro. James Lord Bernard, who first made his appearance in the $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$ world on Saturday evening, Dec. 6th. His "Lordship" was most heartily received according to our best interpretation of the new ritual. The boys have returned from the Christmas holidays full of recollections of Christmas turkey, hardly ready for the start on the last term of the year—the final term in college for some of us. We were exceedingly sorry to be obliged to say "good-bye" to Bro. Ulsh who came to us this fall from Pennsylvania Beta. He accepted an offer to travel with a gentleman toward the South, and departed at the beginning of December; not, however, for good, we hope. Otherwise our band has remained entire.

A goodly number from our chapter accompanied the team to Bethlehem just before Thanksgiving day on the occasion of the game between Lehigh and Pennsylvania, and were most warmly welcomed by Phis of Pennsylvania Eta at the chapter house. We were delighted with their quarters and situation, and were promised return visits during Christmas week. But unfortunately none of them materalized.

A vacancy has been made in the College Faculty by the death of Prof. J. G. R. McElroy who held the chair of English. Prof. McElroy's loss will be felt both by his fellow professors and by

the students. His reputation as a scholar was very high, and the University will lose in him one of its most ardent and efficient workers. A movement is on foot to obtain a man well known in educational circles who can devote most of his time to the philological department, leaving the ordinary English and composition work in the hand of the instructors. We hope that the plan will be successful.

The "Mask and Wig," Pennsylvania's representative in the dramatic line has announced the programme for this year. One of the largest theatres in the city has been secured for Easter week and four public performances will be given in Philadelphia. Beside these the club propose to take a trip—probably with Baltimore and Washington as the objective points, as the alumni are very strong in numbers and in enthusiasm for Alma Mater in these cities. "Ben Franklin," the great success of last year, will be repeated and a new play entitled "Miss Columbia" will make its first appearance—with as much chance of success as the former, if rumor be true. The principal stars of last year—McMichael, Meigs, Neilson and Kelley will again be seen, and a chorus of 44 will try to sing themselves into the favor of the audience.

In the spring, ground will be broken on the campus for the erection of a building to be devoted to the study of hygiene in connection with the work of the Medical Department. For the establishment of this new course, Mr. Henry C. Lea donated conditionally the sum of $200,000, and his offer has been accepted by the trustees.

Phi Gamma Delta has granted a charter to a body of petitioners at Pennsylvania, being satisfied of the probable success of a chapter here. This makes the number of fraternities an even ten—$Z\Psi$, $\Phi K\Sigma$, $\Delta\Phi$, $\Delta\Psi$, $\Phi K\Psi$, $\Delta\Upsilon$, and $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ with the legal fraternity $\Phi\Delta\Phi$, and the medical fraternity $\Phi A\Sigma$. We welcome the new comers out of barbarism into civilized Grecian society.

Although we see but few of the members of the alumni chapter located in Philadelphia, we have been told on good authority that they are still actively interested in fraternities, and intend to celebrate alumni day by a good sized banquet. If the banquet this year is as thoroughly enjoyable as was that of last year, at which a number of Phis from other Pennsylvania chapters were present, we can well assure those alumni who could not be present then, that they will have a good time should they decide to be on hand on the 19th of February.

Yours in the Bond,

EDWARD A. SHUMWAY.

Philadelphia, Jan. 9, 1891.

Pennsylvania Eta, Lehigh University.

It is with quite renewed vigor that we return from our vacation, having before us the indications of a most promising year. It gives us exceptional pleasure to record the names of our initiates from the class of '94, all of whom we feel confident have the highest qualifications for membership, together with abundant enthusiasm which will undoubtedly bear its fruit in the future, in the form of increased success for the chapter. The evening of December 6th was the time of the mystification and hellenic enlightenment of our initiates. Bro. Patterson was present to assist us in the ceremonies and although our energies had to be divided among four seekers after Grecian culture by the paths of $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$, it is quite safe to say that none of them received any the less solicitous attentions from the members. The whole evening was spent most enjoyably, not even lacking in gastronomical features. And as a result of the evening's exertions we have the pleasure of introducing to the Phi world, Bros. E. K. Leech, E. P. Van Mater, G. B. Van Riper and W. M. Purman. Bro. Knox, '93, has been elected Historian of his class.

The foot ball team which represented us during the past year, although lacking the brilliant record of the team of '89, nevertheless was a superior team, judged in the light of scientific foot ball. And we have demonstrated to the college world, that we are able to command a position in the foot ball arena, such that warrants admission to the Foot Ball League.

The list of fraternities has been increased to thirteen, owing to the recent establishment of Beta Theta Pi. Indoor training for the various athletic teams will soon commence and there is a very good promise that these teams will take a good place in the athletic arena.

Prospects for the chapter have never been brighter and our anticipations for a very successful year will undoubtedly be fulfilled.

H. Weidener DuBois.

Bethlehem, Jan. 8, 1891.

BETA PROVINCE.

Virginia Gamma, Randolph-Macon College.

Since our last letter to the Scroll, fraternity life at this institution has been moving along quietly and smoothly. With the exception of several initiations by other fraternities which were slow in this respect at the beginning of the session, nothing of importance has occurred. Our chapter, however, though always alert, having obtained three of the best men who have entered

this session, has decided that its roll of members can not be improved on by any of the "barbs" now in college, and has consequently not extended further invitations. We are therefore not bending our energies so much in this direction, as we are in upholding the enviable reputation which we have made as gentlemen, students and thoroughly good fellows. These principles we have been instilling into our "bugs," and we are glad to say that in none of them have we been disappointed, but all have proved themselves fully worthy of wearing our sword and shield.

All the fraternities here, from all outward appearances, seem to be doing fairly well. They are on the best of terms with each other, and $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$ with all. We are glad of this for our own sakes as well as for theirs, since there is no honor in vanquishing a weak foe, but only the strong.

The Eta chapter of $\Phi\ \Theta\ \Psi$ which was established here last year and which has been comparatively inactive since its founding, has to some extent recovered from this dormant state and added two more men to its list and now numbers four.

Since the beginning of the session, we have added considerably to our hall. Our latest purchase is a beautiful brussels carpet, which has conduced greatly to its appearance. In this work, we have been nobly assisted by our "Phi sisters," who have generously contributed banners, fancy articles, etc. By these and our own additions we now have by far the nicest fraternity hall at college.

Since our last letter, we have had the misfortune to lose Bros. Lambeth and Sledd from our number on account of sickness. We are encouraged, however, by the hope that we will have both of them with us for the second half, prepared to do battle for $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$. While the loss of these brethern is severely felt, nevertheless, this loss has filled those of us who are left with greater zeal for $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$, since we are now compelled to protect its interests with a lessened force.

In the Literary societies of the college, as in the lecture room, on the campus, and elsewhere, the Phis are still ahead. At the recent elections in the Franklin Literary Society, Bro. Sledd was chosen to represent the society as one of its four debators, Bro. Nettles was also elected Vice President of the debates. Bro. Hickey was elected marshal for public declamations. While the Franklin Hall was honouring these brethren with these offices, the Washington Literary Society, not unmindful of its interests elected Bro. Armstrong to a like position as that of Bro. Sledd's. By these elections $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$ obtains a large per cent. of the honors of the year.

In closing, our chapter most heartily invites any and all Phis,

who may chance this way to visit us, and thus allow us to show them some of that old time hospitality for which Virginians have so long been noted.

Yours in the Bond,

J. A. ZIMMERMAN.

Ashland, Jan. 8. 1891.

VIRGINIA ZETA, WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY.

Virginia Zeta sends greetings to all her sister chapters. After making our bow, excuses would probably be in order, but when I assert that our silence has been from no lack of loyalty or interest in Phi Delta Theta, I feel sure that our brothers will not let their wrath fall upon this inoffensive scribe who up to this time has lacked the material out of which to form a communication, but will in the words of the Kentucky jury, "find the prisoner not guilty provided he promises to do so no more."

At the beginning of this term we were greatly handicapped at having only two men return, viz., Jno. W. Sullivan, of Kentucky and D. L. Groner, of Norfolk, Va. A much larger number of freshmen have entered here this year than usual, but with all this there is comparatively little fraternity material. We have, however, selected two good men, who are now wearing the Sword and Shield for the first time. They are Wm. Green and D. F. Hardy, both of San Marco, Texas, whom we are most pleased to introduce and recommend to all Phis.

Of our last year's chapter, Brothers Avery, Bratton, Manning, Norwood and Cabaniss failed to return. Bro. Avery took his B. L. last June and is now succeeding in the practice of his profession in Atlanta, Ga. Bro. Bratton is dealing in houses and lots at Basic City, Va. Bro. Norwood is lawing somewhere in Arkansas. Bro. Manning is at the Ohio Wesleyan University, while Bro. Cabaniss is at his home in Macon, Ga., having just completed a business course at Poughkeepsie.

There are eleven fraternities represented at Washington and Lee that draw their material from about two hundred and sixty men; they stand numerically as follows: $K\ A$, 11; $\Sigma\ N$, 10; $\Phi\ K\ \Psi$, 7; $A\ T\ \Omega$, 6; $\Phi\ \Gamma\ \Delta$, 6; $\Sigma\ A\ E$, 5; $K\ \Sigma$, 5; $\Phi\ \Delta\ \theta$. 4; $\Sigma\ X$, 2; $\Phi\ \theta\ \Psi$, 7 and Gamma Di-Gamma Kappa, 7.

We have received the following honors this term. Bro. Hardy was elected President of the Intermediate celebration of the Washington Literary Society, while Bro. Groner was elected by the student body to the position of Final Ball President. With best wishes to all Phis, I remain yours fraternally,

DUNCAN LAWRENCE GRONER.

Lexington, Dec. 18, 1890.

NORTH CAROLINA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA.

North Carolina Beta began the college year with four members: Davies, Hoke, J. B. Stronach and Alex. Stronach who returned after a year's absence to taste the law course. P. I. Woodard graduated in June and A. G. Morgan failed to return. As the number of students is small and the number of fraternities represented here very large comparatively it is very difficult to obtain good men and so we can introduce to the Phi world only one initiate: W. P. Bynum who entered the class of '93 and at once took the lead having made the best average on the Xmas examinations.

Our chapter has obtained its full share of honors, Davies being Washington Birthday Orator and Hoke, Chief Ball Manager for Commencement. Davies is also an editor of the *University Magazine.* The struggle for existence here is a severe one but we hope to pull through this crisis and as better days are in store for the University of North Carolina soon, we are sure undoubtedly our chapter will grow stronger and become firmly established.

ALEX. STRONACH.

Chapel Hill, Jan. 8, 1891.

SOUTH CAROLINA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

South Carolina Beta regrets very much that she has not been able before to greet her sister chapters this session. She is still alive, however, and occupies very much her old place among the fraternities represented here. On account of the uncertainty concerning the removal of some of our departments the class that entered this year was not quite up to what we hoped for. This did not supply our fraternities with an abundance of material but with friendly rivalry each did its duty in its own peculiar way. We are very glad to be able to introduce to our fraternity Bros. Cothran and Wardlaw, both of '94, who have already become zealous Phis.

Our chapter lost some good men last year whose places here would be hard indeed to fill. Early in the spring Bro. E. D. Sompayrac was awarded a cadetship at Uncle Sam's College on the Hudson and the entire University felt his loss deeply. Bro. E. E. Aycock, '90, is in business at home and Bro. L. W. Boyd, '90, is in North Carolina. Bro. Geo. Miller, '91, Law, did not return but is trying his fortune in Texas. Bro. Ferguson of '91, did not return either, hence the chapter opened with but four men. So far during the term we have had the pleasure of seeing several of the brothers mentioned above whose presence and kind advice has done much for us.

It is now certain that after this session only the departments of Theoretic Science, Modern Literature, and the Classics will remain here. This is, of course, to be greatly deplored for it will necessarily reduce the number of students very much, and since so many fraternities are represented here it will be a hard task for all to live.

In our next letter the relative standing of the chapters will be given, for by that time it will be settled for this year.

J. D. RAST.

Columbia, Jan. 6, 1891.

KENTUCKY DELTA, CENTRAL UNIVERSITY.

Our chapter continues to thrive and it seems that, despite the scarceness of good fraternity material and the "hard times" we will yet have the best and strongest chapter that has ever yet represented Kentucky Delta. Since our last communication we have initiated Robert L. Taylor, '94, of Richmond, Ky. and Sam. H. Carothers, '94, of Bardstown, Ky. Both these young men are of the very best quality and will prove valuable acquisitions. The former won the Senior Preparatory declaimer's medal last spring.

The non-fraternity men of the University are now perfectly organized and seem to have things their own way in the Literary Societies,—for the present at least.

The preliminary contests of the Epiphyllidian and Philalethean Societies for the selection of Junior Orators will probably not be held this year—there being only three members of each society intending to contest—which is the required number. The final comes off in June next and always proves one of the principal features of commencement.

All of the Phi boys went home Christmas to spend the holidays, each expecting to return at the beginning of the new year. But one has failed to respond to the roll call. Bro. Jos. M. Mathews, of New Castle, Ky., one of our oldest members has decided to quit college and has accepted a position in the New Castle Bank. He is a bright young man—well advanced for one so young, and we regret that he has decided not to continue a course so nearly finished.

This leaves us ten men which certainly ought to prove a good, strong working chapter. We take great interest in our meetings and are frequently visited by our alumni of the city.

If at any time any members of the fraternity should chance to be in this part of the state, come and see us, we'll give you a hearty welcome.

M. H. GUERRANT.

Richmond, Jan. 8, 1891.

GAMMA PROVINCE.

GEORGIA BETA, EMORY COLLEGE.

The Fall term of '90 at Emory found the sword and shield of Phi Delta Theta leading the van of college life. The preceding year had been one of unprecedented splendor and achievement. Upon the glittering point of Φ Δ Θ's sword every honor: first, second, third and fourth, as dazzling trophies of her invincible prowess, hung in beauty suspended. Besides, eleven medals out of nineteen were hers, three of the six champion debaters, a good number of speakers' places with many minor honors.

With such a record, the chosen band gathered last fall around the shrine we love so well. With sorrow we noted the absence of brothers who had been called from college halls. But with firm resolve that the lustre of our shield should not be dimmed we entered the conflict anew. Beginning with twenty-two men our circle was widened by the linked hands of the following comrades: Bros. J. T. Colson, E. D. Lambright, Belcher and Bowden in the Freshman class, Bros. I. L. McNain and Earnest M. Smith in the Sophomore, and Bros. W. E. H. Searcy and Carle Thompson in the Junior. Bro. Kendall was transferred to us from Φ Δ Θ at Mercer. Our success for the last term just closed has not been discreditable. All our new men are heaping honors on the altar of Phi Delta Theta. As to the coming honors of the class of '91 it is almost impossible to give correct data, but enough to say, the Phis will be there. The society honors thus far have been very well distributed, we having five men out of twelve on the Impromptu debate and being well represented on the Fall term debates, the Anniversarian's place of Phi Gamma being also ours. H. Stiles Bradley, one of the honor men of last year's class, is now Professor of Natural Science at Emory. Everything is promising and we send greetings of love and a happy new year to wearers of the white and blue throughout our band of brothers.

CARLE R. THOMPSON.

Oxford, Jan. 1, 1891.

TENNESSEE ALPHA, VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY.

The Christmas holidays at Vanderbilt are now over and the students have settled down to work preparing for the intermediate examinations which are held during the latter half of this month.

Since our last report Tennessee Alpha has been greatly strengthened by the initiation of A. Riley Hardin, of the Law department and Charles Reid Baskerville and John Hibbett De Witt, of the Freshman class. Hardin is from Santa Rosa, Cal.,

and is a brother to Chas. H. E. Hardin, Tennessee Alpha, '80. Baskerville is from Staunton Depot, Tenn., and De Witt lives in Nashville. In capturing these three men who were eagerly sought after by several other fraternities we consider that we have won a most signal victory. So far this year we have not failed to get a single man we have asked, no matter by what other fraternity or fraternities he was being spiked. In no boastful spirit is this report of successful spiking sent to the SCROLL; still we think it a sure evidence that Tennessee Alpha is in good harmonious working order, and as such we tell it to all who may read the SCROLL.

In the December SCROLL the name of T. V. Copeland, of Alabama Gamma, was given as one of our affiliates. Copeland was called home on account of ill health before he affiliated with us. He is a whole souled fellow and a loyal Phi, and we regretted to have him leave.

One of the surest signs of Tennessee Alpha's prosperity is to be seen in the enthusiasm and interest her individual members always manifest in the various college enterprises. For instance, in athletics Tennessee Alpha is always among the front, and now four places on the Executive Board of the V. A. A. are held by Phis, as follows: Barr, Captain of base ball nine; E. H. Jones, Captain and manager of foot ball team and Captain of Field sports; Scarritt, Treasurer; and Paul Jones, Secretary.

For all of Phi Delta Theta's true interests Tennessee Alpha is not only ready and willing to work, but is continually striving to push forward as rapidly as possible.

PAUL M. JONES.

Nashville, Jan. 6, 1891.

ALABAMA GAMMA, SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY.

This has been a successful year so far and $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$ stands in the front ranks of fraternity circles. At the beginning of the term we had only eleven men, but we now number eighteen whole-souled Phis. We have taken more honors up to this time than any other fraternity, while in those yet to come we expect to get our full share. Bro. Andrews was one of the challenge debaters from the Clariosophic society and he has been recently honored by being elected one of the contestants for the orators medal next commencement. These are considered the highest honors that can be given. Brother Stowers is one of the anniversarians of the Clariosophic society. Brother Moody is an associate editor of the *University Monthly* and is also one of the anniversarians of the Belles Lettres society. The other fraternities are also prospering. A friendly rivalry exists between the chapters and our record shows that we always come out near the top, never at

the bottom. The Barbs have entered into an alliance for mutual improvement and for the maintenance of their rights, which some of the fraternities were inclined to overlook, and there has been some bitter opposition to them, but we have held aloof from disputes, only going so far as to acknowledge their right to enter into an alliance. The non frats. compose a very strong element in the University and they are very bitterly opposed to fraternities, but we by decorum and partial neutrality have gained their good opinion and thus are not injured by them. We have been censured by some because we have taken such a stand, but our present standing and our future prospects have hushed all censure.

HUBERT ANSLEY.

Greensboro, Jan. 7, 1891.

DELTA PROVINCE.

MISSISSIPPI ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI.

At last commencement we had only two contestants for honors, Bro Peacock for anniversarianship and Bro. Satterfield for Freshman medal. Bro. Peacock made a magnificent speech and many thought he had won, but the judges thought otherwise. Bro. Satterfield was successful.

The University opened Sept. 25, with a bright prospect for a full session, having two hundred and twenty-five matriculates.

Mississippi Alpha was materially weakened by graduation and some of our boys not returning. Only three of our boys, Bros. Buck, '91, Sivley, '92, and Satterfield '93, entered and some of our rivals thought that we were going to die, but they soon found to their sorrow that we had come to stay. Mississippi Alpha has always made it a point to know a man thoroughly, to have each one of the men to associate intimately with him and to make an exhaustive analysis of his character before "setting" him. After a careful study of the field, we decided to "set" nine men. Seven of these decided that Phi Delta Theta far surpassed any of the others, and cast their lots with us; the other two said we were undoubtedly the second—this showing how we stand with our rivals. It is with pleasure that we introduce our initiates who are as fine men as can be found. They are Bros. Samuel Neill, Carrollton, Miss., Wm. B Rundle, Vicksburg, Miss., Wm. B. McCookle, Fort Smith, Ark., Perry Ray, Carrollton, Miss., John S. Hawkins, Vaiden, Miss., Curt Guy, Grenada, Miss., and Leon Lewis, Terry, Miss.

Bro. Neill is a senior law student and is in a few days to contest for a place on senior debate and we feel confident of his

success. Bro. John Hawkins is a first cousin of Bro. Frank Purnell, now of Tenn. Beta—"one of the family insures us the rest."

Mississippi Alpha stands at the top in every department, and will secure her share of honors at Commencement.

Bro. Buck is one of the editors of the *Magazine*; he was our only senior at the time of election.

We wish to thank all of our brothers who keep us so well posted concerning the new men and especially Tenn. Beta for her warnings which would have helped some of our rivals had they been so fortunate as to have had the "points;" also, we must not forget to thank our Kansas Bro. and—well we haven't space to enumerate all, but it suffices to say we are grateful to one and all, and trust they will continue to keep us posted.

Bro. Chas. Firman Smith, who took the honors and medals all the way through both the literary and law, is practicing law in Nashville, Tenn.; his address is No. 27½ Vanderbilt Law building. May success continue to crown him.

Bro. Will Pierce is keeping books for one of the leading houses in Van Buren, Ark. Bro. Pierce never failed to attend the meetings while he was at work in Oxford tho' no way connected with the University, and we miss him very much.

Bro. Ed. Peacock is in the cotton business at Grenada; he is missed very much and especially in the "setting" season.

Bro. Will. Hammond Marshall has purchased a plantation near Seymour, Texas, and will soon corner the grain market; he was a true and loyal Phi.

Bro. Lawrence Thompson will soon begin practicing law in Memphis, Tenn., and woe to the criminal that should have Bro. Thompson against him.

Bro. Vines Satterfield, "The Baby," is studying in New Orleans.

We intended to speak of that grand old Phi, Senator Louis Southworth, but as we have consumed our share of THE SCROLL we will defer it until our next letter.

We cannot, however, close without congratulating Bro. Brown upon his management of THE SCROLL.

Yours in the Bond,

MILLING M. SATTERFIELD.

University, Miss., Jan. 7, 1891.

LOUISIANA ALPHA, TULANE UNIVERSITY.

Louisiana Alpha hails the New Year and hopes that her sister chapters have made as good friends with it as she has. Her career during the greater part of '90 has been marked by peace with the rest of the Tulane fraternities, but at the latter part of the year four chapters formed a combine and tried by might, if

not by right, to intimidate her. These chapters of course ran off at a tangent and may be pardoned. We extend many happy wishes for '91 to the Tulane chapters and to the fraternity world, and hope a prosperous year may be in store for us all. The chapters here are in good condition and the number of students increased. However, collegiate enthusiasm is keeping company with McGinty at the bottom of the sea, and athletics have practically become things of the past. We attribute the low ebb of enthusiasm to the great lack of recreating time and we deem it a wise step if Saturday school were abolished. We are glad to note that an attempt has been made to get out a college journal. This journal is as yet embryonic, bnt we trust our faculty will give it the proper encouragement and recognition.

We now turn to the Sophie Newcomb College (Tulane Ladies' Annex), and lo and behold, we find they have instituted a sorority which they unfortunately term fraternity. They are the Alpha Beta Gammas and this is a description of their badge. A large star, mounted by an arrow and by a winged shoe, and bearing the Greek letters *Δ B Γ*.

Since our last letter we have initiated three men in whom we have great expectations. Bros. E. P. Odneal and Wm. J. Gillespie kept each other company as they wended the mysterious ways that finally led them to the goal of *Φ Δ Θ*. These brothers are "Meds." as full of fraternal enthusiasm as of red blood corpuscles and are shining lights of Jackson, Miss. Reinforced by our "Meds." we made Udolpho Wolfe, Jr., a member of our circle. Bro. Wolfe is a College man and a city man, both of which qualities heighten his many other virtues. Our chapter therefore numbers seventeen to start the New Year with.

C. H. TEBAULT.

New Orleans, Jan. 6, 1891.

TEXAS BETA, UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS.

Through reportorial negligence our chapter has not been represented on the pages of the SCROLL during the present session of the University. Let it not be inferred from this that we are ashamed of our record or lacking in Phi spirit. Beneath the banner of the white and blue many important honors have been won. Among those hitherto unnoticed, may be mentioned the winning by Bro. Long of the Junior Academic prize in oratory. Bro. Kidd was one of the annual debaters from the Rusk society. To Bro. Thomas was awarded the Athenaeum medal for best debater. In the law department, Junior class, First Honors were won by Bro. Thomas, while Bro. Kidd tied for Second Honors. Bro. Etter stands at the head of the Sophomores.

The general condition of our chapter this year is flourishing. We are happy to report the recent initiation of Bros. Bates and Robertson, both of whom give promise of taking enviable rank in their classes. The latest accession to our faculty is Bro. Calloway, a loyal Phi and an able and popular professor.

In membership we number two professors and thirteen students. In standard and stamina we acknowledge no superior.

With meetings regular and well attended, with a chapter blessed with enthusiasm and perfect good will, with our share of honors in the past, and confident of their continuance for the future, we extend New Year greetings to our brother Knights of the Sword and Shield.

CULLYN F. THOMAS.

Austin, Jan. 6, 1891.

EPSILON PROVINCE.

OHIO DELTA, UNIVERSITY OF WOOSTER.

Ohio Delta opened the year with six loyal members, whose spirit was not dampened by the smallness of their number. Since that time we have initiated H. J. Forgy, brother of W. E. Forgy who graduated last year, and Bro. Downey, of Illinois Epsilon has affiliated with us.

For various reasons seven loyal Phis did not return this year. Bro. Forgy whom we lost by graduation is now teaching in Kiskiminetas Academy at Saltsburg, Pa.; Bro. Gaston is attending school at Princeton. Bro. Lane can be found at the U. of P. in the medical department; Bro. Ramsey is comfortably situated in Cincinnati, working in a railroad office; Bro. Work is at home in Longmont, Col.; Bro. Mathews is in Cambridge, O.; and Bro. Vernon in Sharpsville, Pa. Bros. Vernon, Work and Mathews expect to be with us again next year.

Bro. Wallace will represent us on the preliminary oratorical contest. Bro. Pence was chosen orator by the Irving literary society for Washington's birthday entertainment.

The University has just received $10,000 from Mr. Chamberlain of Cleveland to aid in adding a wing to the college building for which those interested in the welfare of the school are now soliciting money.

Our foot ball team, during the season just closed, won unbounded honors for themselves, the University and all connected with it; not losing a single game, and during the whole season having only four points scored against them, and after leaving the field of contest after the hour and thirty minutes were up with the score 64 to 0, 58 to 0, and such like.

Wooster mourns the death of Dr. Black, Professor of Greek, and Vice-President of the University.

We hope to see many of our brothers with us during the coming State Oratorical Contest, to be held here.

D. A. PENCE.

Wooster, Jan. 10, 1891.

OHIO EPSILON, BUCHTEL COLLEGE.

Buchtel College is in mourning. On the evening of Dec. 13 the ladies were holding a birthday party on the fourth floor of the college building. A number of them were dressed in light inflammable goods covered with cotton. A low gas jet ignited the cotton on the hat of one of them. The inflammable character of the cotton caused the fire to spread rapidly. The ladies became frightened and rushed for the halls and stairways. This fanned the flames so, that before they could be extinguished two of them were fatally and six very seriously burned. Before morning two had passed away. A more desolate or a sadder place than Buchtel College cannot be imagined. It was with heavy hearts that the students attended memorial services on two successive days. The anxious faces of the faculty and nurses made us fear that the end was not yet. But fortunately no more deaths have occurred at this writing. Although different fraternities were represented at the party, all the injured were members of *K K Γ*. Ohio Epsilon extends to *K K Γ* her deepest sympathy in her terrible affliction.

On the evening of Dec. 13, we initiated O. R. Dean, '94, of Storm Lake, Iowa. The ceremonies were interrupted by the news of the calamity at the college. Brother Dean's sister is one of the injured ones.

The Buchtel College Oratorical Association Contest took place on the evening of Dec. 10. It was a Phi contest, as all the contestants were Phis. Brother Henry, '91, took first place and Brother L. F. Lybarger, '92, second place. Brother Lybarger will enter Wooster University and remain this year but hopes to be with us again next year. It is with great reluctance that we let him go from among us but we are confident that he will find a cheerful home and loyal Phis about the hearth-stone of Ohio Delta. We can also assure them that in him they will find a true Phi and an indomitable worker in our cause.

LEROY C. EBERHARD.

Akron, Jan. 10, 1891.

INDIANA BETA, WABASH COLLEGE.

The fall term has been finished. The Holidays, with innumerable pleasures and festivities, have come and in turn passed away finding us at the old stand, fifteen strong, prepared for any siege.

During the latter part of December the class of '92 elected their Board of Editors for this year's *Ouiatenon*. The Board is composed of ten members, each fraternity being represented by one man and, in addition three members are selected from the class at large. Of these latter three, two were chosen from the $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$ ranks thus giving us three editors, Bros. Thomson, Martin and Abbott. Bro. Thomson is Editor in Chief. Bro. Martin will also represent the Calleopean Literary Society in the Annual Prize Debate, Feb. 22nd.

With other colleges, Wabash had her endowment augmented by $50,000 by the death of the late Daniel Fayerweather. Yandes Library Hall is fast nearing completion and viewed through the shades of the stately beech trees its architectural grace adds much beauty to our imposing group of buildings.

Bro. Chas. Little, '94, of Evansville, Ind., surprised the chapter by tendering us a banquet at his charming apartments on East Jefferson street, Wednesday evening, Jan. 7, 1891. Quite an extended Menu was discussed with true Grecian promptitude after which many impromptu toasts were responded to by the brethren, among others "THE SCROLL," by Bro. Little, '91. "Willie" Wilson assumed his accustomed station in the toastmaster's chair. All left at a late hour lauding "our baby" to the sky for the genial manner in which we were entertained.

We enjoyed a very pleasant, although a very short visit from several of the De Pauw chapter some weeks since.

Bro. Cubberly, Indiana Alpha, '91, also made a call lately but unfortunately the major portion of the chapter was absent on account of the Holidays.

ROBT. H. CROZIER.

Crawfordsville, Jan. 8, 1891.

INDIANA GAMMA, BUTLER UNIVERSITY.

Holidays are over and we are again in our places. School began yesterday with quite a number of new students enrolled. Amid the hand-shaking and general happiness, was one piece of news not at all welcome, Bro. Vic. Conner, '92, had decided to leave college and had come to tell us good bye. We are very sorry to lose Bro. Conner. He was ever a faithful Phi and had many friends in college (not confined to the male sex either).

With this exception the boys are all back and ready for work. Phi Delta Theta stands at the head in numbers, and can't be said to stand in any other position in the matter of college honors.

On the evening of the fifth of December we gave our annual party, which was in every way a success. Quite a number of resident and visiting alumni were present and we hope they feel that we are keeping up the good work.

The closing weeks of last term were one continued celebration. Butler's is again the champion foot ball team of Indiana. On Thanksgiving day Butler and Purdue, both with clean records, played the final game, and, in the face of immense odds, Butler won by the score of 12–10. Since then faculty, friends, and alumni have been so anxious to heap favors on the victors, and banquet has followed banquet in such close succession that the constitutions of the team have been subjected to even a more severe strain than during the series of games played. Bro. Davidson played right end, and Bros. Fall, '94, and Robinson (pledged) were substitutes. Bro. Minnick played right guard during the early part of the season but was compelled to retire on accouut of injuries received.

Since our last report, Kappa Kappa Gamma has made an acquisition Three young ladies of the Demia Butler society (opposed to fraternities) resigned and joined the Kappas. The affair created quite an excitement in college circles for a few days, but all is again quiet. The fraternity has now fourteen members—all good workers. Sigma Chi has also initiated Mr. Geo. Cullom, '95. Delta Tau Delta has made no initiations.

The last named fraternity is to give a pan-hellenic social the 16th inst., which promises to be quite an event in local fraternity history.

Yours in the Bond,

R. F. DAVIDSON.

Irvington, Jan. 3, 1891.

INDIANA EPSILON, HANOVER COLLEGE.

The second term of Hanover college opened on Jan. 7th. Owing to the arrangement of the college course, very few students enter after the first term. All our boys have returned from their homes and report an enjoyable time during the two weeks vacation, and are now ready for the work of another term, of course every one has resolved to study harder than ever.

The Phis of Hanover may justly feel proud of their record made last term. To begin with we initiated the five best men in the class of '94. In the election of officers in the "Union Literary Society" we carried off five offices. Of the seven speakers on the Spring Ex. we have 3, Σ *X*, 2; and Φ Θ *II*, 2.

Bro. Platt leads the Freshman class in scholarship, and Mayhew is orator of the same class. Willman was on the "Junior Entertainment" and his speech was conceded by all who heard it, to be the best, both in delivery and composition.

On the evening of Dec. 23d the first term closed. The event was celebrated by the Phis, in royal style. Immediately after the Junior Ex., ten Phis and ladies proceeded to the chapter hall where they "tripped the light fantastic" to the music of Prof. Gibst's orchestra.

The hall presented a beautiful appearance, being decorated with mistletoe, cedar, carnations and roses. At 12:30 A. M. the dancers retired to the banquet hall, where an appetizing spread had been prepared by Caterer Bernheisel. Bro. McElroy acted as toastmaster. Several toasts were responded to, making the hour the most enjoyable of the evening.

Bro. Tracy of '65, who has been a missionary in India for several years paid us a short visit in December. Bro. Moore of '90, who is attending McCormick Seminary, spent a few days with us at the close of last term.

DON. KENNEDY.

Hanover, Jan. 10, 1891.

MICHIGAN ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

We have returned from the enjoyment of a two weeks' holiday vacation with our full quota of men and with prospects of some additions in the near future. A man whom we "spiked" before the holidays has returned and pledged himself and will be introduced into Greek society at the close of this week. Two fine fellows who will enter the University at the beginning of the second semester in February are pledged to join us.

Since our last letter, we have initiated Frank Henry Decke, '93, of Lansing, an active, energetic fellow who has already gone to work with a will for Phi Delta Theta.

We can heartily endorse the sentiments of Bro. Brown with regard to chapter houses as expressed in the December SCROLL. We feel an ever increasing satisfaction in the possession of a home and extend our congratulations to those who have lately established themselves in chapter houses. You who have not tried it, cannot realize what an impulse it gives to the fraternity spirit and what a binding influence it exerts upon the members. We have now a project on foot for establishing a chapter house fund among the alumni members. The latest addition to our house equipment is a "frat" dog—a large English mastiff which one of the boys received as a Christmas present. "Don" promises to do much toward making Phi Delta Theta felt in the community.

We are in receipt of the wedding announcement of Bro. P. G. Sjoblom who was married on December 30th to Miss Ida Turnquist of Minneapolis. Bro. Sjoblom is one of the charter members of Michigan Alpha and is at present an instructor in Rock Island College.

Senior election is near at hand and all available wires are being pulled to draw votes. Candidates have been nominated by both fraternities and independents and as the forces of the two are about evenly divided, the contest promises to be interesting and exciting.

FRANK H. DIXON.

Ann Arbor, Jan. 7, 1891.

ZETA PROVINCE.

ILLINOIS DELTA, KNOX COLLEGE.

Anti-fraternity spirit at Knox is clearly a relic of the past. In no former year has the aggregate membership of the secret societies been so large. The Sororities are in the lead, both the Pi Phis and the Tri-Deltas having about eighteen. The Phi Gams have attained the almost unprecedented number of seventeen and the Betas with fifteen are presumably striving hard to keep pace with them; doubtless both Societies will number more by Spring as their powers of absorption are great. The Phis number seven and consequently are preaching and practising conservatism for the present. Nevertheless, we are in good condition and "brighter days are coming." Though far below them in numbers, in enthusiasm and readiness for work we think we may justly claim to be the peer of any fraternity at Knox.

We have again refused to enter the fraternity coalition for publication of the Annual, which refusal we consider a final one. A discussion of the "reasons why" would prove too long for a SCROLL letter, but we are confident Phidom would approve our course.

It is our unpleasant duty to record that owing to a personal difficulty between two of our members it was necessary for us to accept the resignation of Mr. Craig McQuade of '94. While deeply regretting the action, we feel that a united Fraternity with a smaller membership is better than a larger chapter when factional differences exist.

Toward the close of last term the chapter gave a cinque-party in its hall. As usual at Phi gatherings a delightful time was had.

Bro. Dale of '91, has obtained an appointment on the Knox Oratorical Contest. We sincerely hope and think we have reason to expect that he will win a prize. To all Phis, wherever they may be and especially to the SCROLL and its able editor, Illinois Delta wishes many "Happy New Years."

GEORGE CANDEE GALE.

Galesburg, Jan. 9, 1891.

Illinois Epsilon, Zeta Province.

Illinois Epsilon Chapter opened this year in good shape. In the latter part of August, Kappa Kappa Gamma held their national convention in this city. As many of our boys live here we were of considerable assistance to the young ladies. Many of the visiting Kappas, who were by the way a very charming company of young ladies, remarked on the fact that an unusual number of Kappas had brothers, members of Phi Delta Theta. This is particularly true of the societies here.

We had a good attendance at the commencement this year; twelve good men. Mr. George Preble, one of the best men Illinois Epsilon ever had has gone, however, to Denver, Colorado. He is employed in the U. S. Mint. We have also to announce that Mr. W. B. Hailey has resigned by request. We now have ten regular members with several attendants, residents who are of very great assistance, particularly in social entertainments. Our future prospects are bright.

Our new recruits are Asa Langstaff and Dean Funk, the latter gentleman is a graduate from Yale, and is at present in the Wesleyan Law School.

J. H. Shaw.

Bloomington, Dec. 1, 1890.

Missouri Alpha, Missouri State University.

The witching Christmas-time has come and gone, appearing to us now like the deceiving mirage of the desert, leaving a hallucination of Christmas presents streaming behind us like the tails of comets. Notwithstanding our visionary delusions, every Missouri Alpha Phi is conscious of spending a most delightful Christmas. Twelve of our men remained here during the holidays intent on keeping the society of Columbia in a giddy whirl, at which they succeeded admirably. In this world we have long been leaders, and to the fact our strongest rivals give tacit assent.

Bro. Lieut. Ed. Russell, 2d Artillery U. S. A., spent several days with us before X-mas. Our cordiality was only exceeded by the bounteousness of our spread served in a style suitable to the season and the occasion.

As officers in the cadet batallion we are well represented, although not so well as last year and year before. Cadet Capt. and Adjt. Hinton, '89, was Asst. Adjt. General (second in command) at the annual encampment of the 3rd regiment N. G. M., held at Excelsior Springs, last August. This was indeed a well merited compliment to Bro. Hinton, for outside of West Point graduates there are few so young so well informed on military arts. Bro. Hinton will graduate at the Columbia Law school in June.

Since our last letter we have added the name of J. W. Denny to our roll.

The numerical strength of the frats here at present is as follows: Sigma Nu. 19, Phi Delta Theta 18, Sigma Alpha Epsilon 13, Beta Theta Pi 13, Phi Delta Phi 14, and Kappa Kappa Gamma 8, or an average of 22 per cent. of entire body of students.

C. G. HAINES.

Columbia, Jan. 6, 1891.

NEBRASKA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA.

This year has been very prosperous with the Phi Delta Theta chapter at this University. It has always been recognized as the leading fraternity of this institution, but this year Phi Delta Theta leaves the other fraternities further in the rear than ever. Beta Theta Pi has six members; Sigma Chi has only two, while Phi Delta Theta has twelve. We have initiated four men this year. They are all first-class, sterling fellows, and we have as much reason to congratulate ourselves as they. Their names are as follows: Arthur F. Montmorency, Omaha, '93, and Oscar F. Funke, Lincoln; Lawrence B. Pillsbury, Fremont, and Charles Fife, Fremont, '94.

Hon. G. M. Lambertson, a resident Phi, has been appointed by the Attorney General to the position of United States Attorney for the Inter-State Commerce Commission. Brother Lambertson has always taken great interest in our affairs.

We regret to announce that Brother Gailey Tait has been obliged to leave the University of Nebraska. His parents have moved to Chicago and he will in all probability finish his course at Evanston. Brother Dorsey, also, was obliged to drop out in the middle of the term, owing to his father's illness. He will return after the holidays, however.

EMORY C. HARDY.

Lincoln, Dec. 31, 1890.

CALIFORNIA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA.

The standing of the fraternities here has not changed materially since our last letter; one Freshman has resigned from *B Θ Π*, and *K A Θ* has initiated one. The seventeenth Field Day of the University was held on December 6th. It was for a class pennant, and all the events were from the scratch. Bro. Willis, '93, took one first and three second places; Bro. Hinckley '93, took one first and one second place. Junior Day occurred one week later. In accordance with the custom instituted last year, the presentation of an original play written by a member of the

class took the place of a part of the literary exercises of the morning. The play was a musical burlesque in a prologue and one act by F. M. Green, and was entitled "The 'Versity of Samoa, or the Kicker and the Kicked." It was well received. Three of the fraternities, $X\Phi$, $Z\Psi$ and $B\Theta\Pi$, gave private dances in the afternoon—$Z\Psi$ and $X\Phi$ at their own houses—instead of taking their friends to the hop in the gymnasium. It is to be regretted that this action should have been taken, but it is rendered almost necessary on account of the lack of room in the "gym." The hops given on University days are always very enjoyable and very popular, but the gymnasium—the only place in which they can be held—is unsuitable and much too small. There is pressing need for a hall which will accommodate more people on public occasions.

Bro. C. O. Perry, Indiana Zeta, '69, and Bro. W. M. Shields, Indiana Alpha, '88, were with us on the evening of Field Day. We enjoyed their visit very much; it is encouraging to meet Bro. Perry and to know that his enthusiasm for $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ has not abated. He is general manager of the California Guarantee Investment Company in San Francisco; Bro. Shields is contracting agent of the A. & P. R. R. with headquarters in San Francisco.

The University opened today, after the Christmas vacation. Bro. Hinkley has not yet returned on account of the recent death of his father. All of the other boys are back ready for work. The SCROLL came just in time for the Christmas vacation; we took great interest in reading the "half a hundred" letters from our sister chapters, and to learn of the prosperity of $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ everywhere.

E. F. GOODYEAR.

Berkeley, Jan. 5, 1891.

PERSONALS.

New York *E*—W. S. Murray, '88, is teaching in Liverpool, N. Y.

New York *A*—G. A. Blauvelt, '90, is at the Columbia Law School.

Indiana *Γ*—B. M. Davis, '90, is principal of Irvington High School.

Ohio *A*—J. H. Macready is a student in the Ohio Medical College.

Indiana *Γ*—O. W. Green, '90, is with the Indianapolis Drug Company.

Indiana *Γ*—Laz. Noble, '90, is with Bowen, Merrill & Co., Indianapolis.

Indiana *Γ*—W. H. Graffis, '89, is on the editorial staff of the Logansport *Reporter*.

Ohio *A*—Kearney Prugh, '88, is pursuing advanced studies at his home, Gratis, O.

Ohio *A*—Will E. Clough, '89, is a medical student in attendance at Bellevue, N. Y.

Pennsylvania *B*—I. L. Crouse, '87, was married recently to Miss Catharine Le Fevre.

Pennsylvania *B*—Wm. K. Diehl, '86, was married to Miss Anna Sheely, Oct. 31, 1890.

Pennsylvania *B*—C. Reinewald, '85, was married recently to Miss Danner, of Gettysburg.

Pennsylvania *Z*—Dr. Laine is located in Media, Pa., and has a large and lucrative practice.

New York *E*—S. B. Crayton, M. D., '90, is physician at St. Joseph's Hospital in Syracuse.

New York *E*—O. F. Cook, '90, is engaged as Instructor of Botany at Syracuse University.

California *A*—F. L. Foster, '76, is editor of the *Mountain View Register*, Mountain View, Cal.

Indiana *Z*—J. H. Wilkerson, '89, is principal of the High School, at Hastings, Nebraska.

Pennsylvania Δ—Harry B. Espy, '90, is reading law with Judge Barker at Fredonia, N. Y.

Virginia Γ—W. R. Peatross, '90, is now teaching at the "University School" Knoxville, Tenn.

Michigan Γ—O. G. Rogers, '88, is in the exporting and commission business in San Francisco.

Ohio Δ—Harry Weidner, '88, is a reporter on the staff of the *Daily Evening News* of Dayton, O.

Virginia Γ—W. C. Vaden, '90, is teaching at Chesapeake Academy, Carter's Creek, Virginia.

California Δ—T. H. Adams, '80, is Assistant Cashier of the Bank of Centralia, Centralia, Wash.

Virginia Γ—G. H. Lambeth, '90, is engaged in the wholesale furniture business in Lynchburg, Va.

Pennsylvania Z—Dr. Lester E. Schoch, '88, is one of the Ophthalmic surgeons at the Beacon Dispensory.

Ohio Δ—Will H. Bonner, ex-'91, is a member of the hardware firm of W. A. Bonner and Sons, of Eaton, O.

Pennsylvania Δ—E. P. Couse, '89, is at present on the reportorial staff of the Pittsburgh *Commercial Gazette.*

California Δ—F. A. Allardt, '88, is Assistant Secretary of the Consolidated Piedmont Cable Co., Oakland, Cal.

Indiana Z—C. O. Perry, '69, is General Manager of the California Guarantee Investment Co., of San Francisco.

Indiana Δ—J. Halderman, '80, is Michigan Passenger Agent of the Wabash railway with headquarters at Chicago.

New York Δ—H. L. Barker, '90, is studying medicine at the College of Physicians and Surgeons, New York City.

Indiana Γ—J. D. Fall, '88, is now head of the mail department on the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Railway.

Ohio Δ—Sam. H. Townshend, '89, is with his father in a thriving real estate and insurance agency in Pueblo, Colo.

New York Δ—F. A. Abbott, '90, is studying law in the office of Fullerton, Becker & Hazell, the well known Buffalo firm.

Virginia Γ—A. S. Martin, '87, frequently favors our chapter with a visit. He is engaged in stenography in Richmond, Va.

Califorinia *A*—Prof. A. W. Jackson, '74, has retired from the University of California and gone into business in New York city.

Pennsylvania *H*—T. F. Newby, '89, of Harrisburg, and a Civil Engineer, spent some weeks in and about Duluth in November.

New York *A*—C. H. Wells, '90, has been admitted to the Bar and is connected with the Chicago firm of Tenney, Church & Coffeen.

Pennsylvania *Z*—Drs. Hay and Mial, '87, are assistant physicians in the New Jersey State Insane Hospital, at Morris Plains, New Jersey.

New Hampshire *A*—Alfred Bartlett, '94, spent the holiday vacation at Eliot, Maine. THE SCROLL is indebted to him for favors in this issue.

New Hampshire *A*—A. C. Willey, '87, was married to Miss Edith Sanborn of Medford, Mass., at Boston, Thanksgiving morning, Nov. 27, 1890.

Ohio *B*—The chapter has three representatives at Drew Theological Seminary, Madison, N. J., in R. H. Callahan, '84, A. C. Turrell, '89 and C. E. Schenck, '90.

Ohio *A*—Elam Fisher, '71, with Mr. E. P. Vaughan, have formed a law partnership at Eaton, Ohio, the old partnership of Foos and Fisher having been dissolved.

New Hampshire *A*—Allen P. Richmond, '87, after graduating at the Bellvue Hospital Medical College, located at Dover, N. H. has been appointed Stafford county physician.

Ohio *A*—Moses D. A. Steen, '66, has had the degree of Ph. D. conferred on him by the University of Wooster, the result of an exhaustive thesis on the human soul.

Ohio *B*—A. R. Cecil, '89, of Springfield, Ohio, attended the State Teachers' examination in Columbus, Dec. 29–31, and was granted a life certificate of the common school grade.

Massachusetts *A*—T. E. Haven, '87, is now a member of the law firm of Haven & Haven, of San Francisco, having gone into business with his father. Tom has a bouncing baby boy.

Pennsylvania *Z*—G. O. Ring, '85, has been recently elected Ophthalmic and Aural Surgeon to the Episcopal Hospital in Philadelphia. He is also assistant to Dr. Risley at the Will's Eye Hospital.

Ohio *A*—Alston Ellis, Ph. D., L. L. D., Superintendent of the Hamilton Ohio Schools, was in Columbus during the holidays at the State Teachers' examination, he being a member and officer of the board.

Pennsylvania *Z*—Dr. Chas. A. Oliver, '77, with Prof. Wm. F. Norris, M. D., of the University of Pennsylvania, have written a valuable work on "Diseases of the Eye"; it is now in press, and will appear in April.

Pennsylvania *Δ*—Rev. W. G. Warner, '81, recently returned from his European trip. A good part of his time was spent in and about London from which place he wrote several interesting letters to the *Western Christian Advocate* at Cincinnati.

Michigan *A*—P. G. Sjoblom, '90, was married Tuesday evening, Dec. 30, 1890, to Miss Ida Turnquist, of Minneapolis. Brother Sjoblom and wife will be at home in Rock Island, Ill., where the former is an instructor in Augustana College.

California *A*—Col. W. H. Chamberlain, '76, was chairman of the committee of arrangements in charge of the recent Admission Day celebration, Sept. 9th, on which day probably the largest parade ever held on the Pacific coast took place in San Francisco.

Pennsylvania *E*—W. E. Martin, is associated with Mr. Boden in the optical business at the south-east corner of Walnut and 13th Streets, Philadelphia. Bro. Martin, has decided to renew his relations with the Phis of the city, and has applied for membership in Pennsylvania Beta Alumni.

New Hampshire *A*—Charles Alexander Eastman, '87, Boston University Medical College '90, is government physician to 6,000 Ogalalla Sioux at Pine Ridge Agency, S. Dakota. Brother Eastman wrote an interesting account of the Indian battle at Wounded Knee Creek, which was published in the *Boston Daily Journal* of Jan. 8, 1891.

Iowa *A*—The following clipping gives an interesting note about an '82 man of Iowa Alpha. After serving at Hicksville he was at the September Session, transferred to Bellefountaine, one of the best charges in the Conference, Northern Ohio M. E.:

Our Church at Bellefontaine is enjoying great prosperity under the pastorate of Rev. C. R. Havighorst. Large congregations greet him at every service, crowding the large audience-room and galleries to their utmost capacity. The spirit of revival is already manifest. There are accessions to the Church at its regular services. The year opens with many signs of promise.—*Western Christian Advocate.*

New York *E*—G. K. Shurtleff, '83, who has been Secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association at Utica, N. Y., for some time past, took a similar position at Denver, Colorado, January 1st. Brother Shurtleff is one of the old Σ Ψ men who has had a warm interest in Φ Δ Θ since the transformation of Σ Ψ into the New York Epsilon of Φ Δ Θ, and is a reader of the SCROLL.

Ohio Δ—The following news is gained from the *Wooster Voice:*

The many friends of T. A. Walker, '89, will be sorry to hear that he has been compelled to resign the principalship of the Frankfort, Kansas, public schools on account of poor health. Mr. Walker will engage in some out-door employment, hoping that it may benefit his health.

Since this we learn that Brother Walker is now at his old home near Greenfield, Ohio, in very feeble health.

Ohio *B*—A. V. Evans, '90, who immediately after graduation began newspaper work in Columbus, Ohio, has recently received an appointment on the staff of the *Daily Ohio State Journal* of which Bro. S. J. Flickinger, of New York *A*, is Manager. The *Journal* is the leading morning daily of Central Ohio. Bro. Evans' appointment on its local staff, is a promotion, earned by painstaking work on the *Evening Post.*

Ohio Δ—The *Wooster Voice* gives the following note abou Brother Forgy, who in oratorical and athletic circles was a prominent figure at Wooster for years:

The December *Outing* contains an article on athletics in Ohio Colleges from the pen of W. E. Forgy, '90. It gives a comprehensive view of athletics in the prominent Colleges of Ohio and the position taken by the Faculties of the different institutions in regard to athletics. The article is illustrated by cuts of Wooster's foot ball team of '89, group of performers in last year's Gymnasium entertainment, champion light weight wrestlers of Wooster, the Wooster and Delaware (O. W. U.) Gymnasiums.

Ohio Γ—The Athens *Messenger* speaks of James Madison Tripp, '77, Jackson, Ohio, in the pleasant way shown in the attached clipping. The *Messenger* is edited by C. E. M. Jennings, '71, of the same chapter, who every day shows his interest in Phi Delta Theta, and every year extends his hospitality to the Athens chapter:

"Judge J. M. Tripp of Jackson, who is presiding at the Foster trial, is one of our old Phi Delta Theta friends and has many admirers among the members of that Fraternity, of which he is an honored member. Judge Tripp although one of the youngest Common Pleas Judges in the State stands deservedly high as a lawyer and jurist and we only pay him a just compliment in saying that since his advent here in his judicial capacity he has endeared himself to the bar and public by his dignified and courteous bearing and by an able and impartial discharge of his onerous duties.

Ohio *B*—C. S. Hoskinson, '89, retains his position as principal of the High School at Zanesville, Ohio. That he retains the esteem of his scholars is shown by a recent incident. At Christmas he was the recipient of a fine gold headed cane, a present from his class in Caesar, and of a handsome revolving office chair, which came from his class in first year Latin. He is an earnest worker and has won hosts of friends in Zanesville society.

Ohio *B*—W. E. Miller, '87, is in charge of the McAdow Seminary at Waverly, Tenn. This institution is under the auspices of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church. The enrollment at present is 150, with bright prospects for a large increase. Three assistant teachers are employed and four departments are maintained—collegiate, preparatory, music and art. The trustees intend to build a boarding hall for the girls in the near future. Bro. Miller is glad that he may again see the welcome face of the *Transcript*, recalling the pleasantest years of his life. He expects to be at Commencement next year to see '91 make her bow.—*College Transcript.*

Ohio *Z*—Ned McConnell, '88, whose short connection in active membership with Ohio Zeta, won him the esteem of the boys so heartily, has been ascending the "line of promotion" rapidly, as shown by this clipping, dated Dec. 2, 1890:

COLUMBUS BOY'S PROMOTION.—E. T. McConnell has been appointed Engineer Maintenance of Way, of the Big Four, with jurisdiction over the Peoria Division, extending from Peoria, Ill., to Springfield, O., and yesterday he assumed the duties of his new positi n. As "Ned" McConnell of a few years ago, he will be remembered as a graduate of the Columbus High School, and later as an attache of the engineering department of the Pan Handle. In the field with the surveying corps he aquired the knowledge and experience which, coupled with his conscientious application to duty and high integrity, secured for him a position of responsibility on a rapidly growing system. He will have 351 miles of track with 1,200 employes under his supervision, and richly deserves the advancement thus accorded him.—*Columbus Dispatch.*

Kentucky *A*—This clipping not without its humor concerns members of Kentucky Alpha:

Ex-Assistant Postmaster General Stevenson tells this story of Senator Blackburn. They were among guests at a dinner party not long ago, when Mr. Stevenson, looking across the table, said:

"Senator, do you remember that day when we were seconds in a duel?"

Mr. Blackburn promptly expressed his recollection of the "pleasant event," and the other guests called for the particulars of a duel which had left in the minds of the seconds such cheerful memories.

"Well," began Mr. Stevenson, "Mr. Blackburn drove me out to the ground. It was before sunrise, but we were the seconds, and, of course, were first on the ground. But the principals soon arrived.

Now, I was very ignorant about duels. The principals knew very little, too. But Mr. Blackburn was well posted, and in order that everything should be clearly understood and satisfactory, he said he would explain the code. So he took the floor, or rather the ground, and began to talk. It was very interesting, for as you all know the gentleman from Kentucky is an orator."

Just then there was an interruption by the bread plate, and Mr. Stevenson paused to help himself to bread. But the pause continued, and Mr. Stevenson was, apparently, going on with his dinner.

"Well, but the duel. You haven't told us how the duel ended," said several guests, eagerly, and speaking at once.

"Oh, it didn't end. It didn't begin," said Mr. Stevenson, solemnly. "you see, Blackburn began to talk before sunrise, and he never stopped till after sundown, and then it was too dark for the duel."

Pennsylvania Δ—The editor of the SCROLL is in receipt of the following letter, which explains itself:

DEAR BROTHER BROWN:—Let me congratulate you on your success with the SCROLL. You have put new life into it and are making a fraternity magazine of which we are all proud. In testimony of my gratitude, I enclose $5, for which put me on the ten year list. Can you send me the October number?

I am not active in the chapter now—being on the College Faculty—but apart from the official side of me, I am somewhat more of a Phi than ever.

I wish you would try to impress on the boys the necessity of keeping up weekly meetings of a high standard. As far as my observation goes, I have found that the weekly meeting is an exact thermometer of fraternity enthusiasm and spirit.

I can assure you that from an outsider's standpoint, the local chapter stands high and never had better prospects. The year has opened auspiciously.

Pardon me for obtruding thus on your time in a business letter, but I wanted to whisper a word of approbation. I hope you may be supported all along the line loyally and heartily, and that the year may be one of decided prosperity to all of the Fraternity.

Yours in the Bond,

WILL A. ELLIOTT, '89.

Ohio Δ—Rev. S. S. Palmer, '87, whose home when in college was at Columbus Grove, Ohio, is now pastor of the Presbyterian church at Sterling, Illinois. On August 6, 1890, he was married to Miss Della McCortle, a class-mate at Wooster, at her home in Cumberland, Ohio. This clipping from the *Evening Gazette*, of Sterling adds to the bare announcement of that happy event.

When Rev. Mr. Palmer, of the Presbyterian church, was asked last Sunday morning to announce a social to be held in the church parlors on Wednesday evening, he little knew what the occasion had in store for him. As our readers well know Mr. Palmer has but recently

returned from Ohio with a bride. It was deemed proper that a reception be given the pastor and his wife, so last night members of the church and congregation to the number of three or four hundred, met to extend the hand of social fellowship to them.

After a short time spent in social converse, all eyes were attracted to a table in the middle of the room, on which was a trunk containing a magnificent silver set, which Elder John Byers, on behalf of the congregation, presented to Mr. and Mrs. Palmer, as a token of the high regard in which they are held.

Mr. Palmer, altho' very much surprised, and agreeably so, was able to make a fitting reply. The trunk is antique oak with gilt corners, and is about two feet long, twenty inches wide and is about ten inches in depth. It contains fifty-eight pieces of silver, the top tray lined with Nile green satin holding eighteen tea spoons, six table spoons, six dessert spoons, one berry spoon, a butter knife, and sugar tongs; and a drawer below lined the same as the tray, holding a dozen forks and a dozen pearl handled knives. Each piece contains the name of the recipients, and on the top of the trunk is a gold plate inscribed as follows: "From the First Presbyterian Church, Sterling, Ill., to their pastor, August, 1890." The gift was purchased of Mr. Blossom and cost $150.

A beautiful oil painting, an English landscape scene executed by Mrs. Worthington, specially as a gift to Mrs. Palmer, was presented to that lady by Hon. Thomas R. Gault. Mrs. Worthington is eighty-four years of age, yet it is one of her chief sources of pleasure to paint pictures for her friends. The one presented to Mrs. Palmer is her latest work and it is beautifully painted.

After the presentations refreshments were served, and shortly afterward the exceedingly pleasant affair ended.

Ohio *E*—Newspapers love to gossip and run across queer things in their search for material. A Washington correspondent sent out a note concerning Rev. A. C. White, '79, one of the popular boys of his time at Buchtel. The second note is from a citizen of his old home.

Gossip About Rev. A. C. White.—In Washington citizens of Columbus and others who know Dr. C. C. White of Columbus, and his son, the Rev. A. C. White, now of Amesbury, Mass., are talking about the recent operatic venture made by the latter at his present home. It is said that the Rev. A. C. White absolutely sensationalized Amesbury by his impersonation of "Miles Standish" in the comic opera "Priscilla." At first the Rev. Mr. White was objected to by the other local participants, who supposed a minister could neither sing nor act such a character, but he soon banished such an idea and captivated every one. He threw his whole spirit into the work. The audience was divided as to condemnation and admiration, but the minister's acting was looked upon as superb, and his voice was captivating. He was called before the curtain and applauded to the echo. Since that night the gossips of all denominations have poured upon the

parson's escapade as common prey and have talked about him with spiteful persistency. The Universalists stood by their pastor through thick and thin. Mr. White preached his last sermon as pastor of the church Sunday. He intends spending the winter in Tampa, Fla., where he has an orange grove, and it is hinted that his next venture will be on the stage rather than in the pulpit. Mr. White was one of the "youngest survivors" of the late war. In 1888 he was talked of for National Chaplain of the G. A. R. His war record began in his ninth year, when he went out with the Sixty-fourth Ohio Volunteers as a drummer, December 14, 1861. His father was a Lieutenant in the company and later a Captain.

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Mr. James Bergin, a warm personal friend of Mr. White, ridicules the statement by telegraph that the latter will probably abandon the pulpit for the stage. Mr. Bergin says: "Mr. White is an earnest, Christian gentleman, sincerely wedded to his profession, and I do not believe he contemplates any such step."

Missouri *A*—Eugene Field, '72, of the *Chicago News*, who was to have been poet at the Bloomington Convention, but was prevented by his trip to Europe as mentioned below, is the subject of this paragraph from a London Correspondent:

Eugene Field, that wonderfully bright poet, story teller, philosopher, wit and journalist of the breezy West, has been here for more than a year, and expects to stay some time longer. The conditions of this life seem to fit him quite as well as they do the more æsthetic of our tribe, who paddle over here. Meeting him the other day, I asked him what he was doing. His reply was characteristic:

EUGENE FIELD'S LATE WORK.—"I came to Europe to get rid of a malignant attack of nervous dyspepsia. I have been here a year and am practically well. I think I shall be here about six months longer. Since coming I have written 87 letters to my paper, and have written 70 pieces of verse. I have also published two short tales, about 8,000 words each. I am now writing a short story of mountain life, and I shall write one Christmas story. I have three more pretentious tales on the docks.

"I have collected about 150 subjects for lyrics, and shall treat them as I feel like doing so, for I write verse only when in the mood for it. Meanwhile, I intend to send my paper at least two letters a week. As I do not particularly like letter writing, I have been surprised to see my letters so generally quoted at home. I have rather a good knowledge of London, and have done Germany and Holland pretty thoroughly. I have become interested in German poetry somewhat, and have made a number of versified translations. Before returning home I shall visit Paris and Ireland. Scribner's Sons have just published two books for me, one entitled 'A Little Book of Western Verse,' and the other 'A Little Book of Profitable Tales.' I have material for three other volumes of average size."

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

FRATERNITIES.

Delta Upsilon meets next year with her Harvard chapter.

$X\ \Phi$ is reported to have revived her chapter at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

$\Delta\ K\ E$ has been petitioned for a charter by a body of students at University of Wisconsin, so says rumor.

Williams college chapter of $Z\ \Psi$ has purchased a chapter house. It had been renting since its revival in 1881.

$\Theta\ \Delta\ X$ is canvassing for subscriptions and expects soon to have a well equipped club house in New York City.

Henry Grady, Jr. has joined the chapter of which his father was a member at University of Georgia, the Eta of $X\ \Phi$.

$\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$ Alumni have effected an organization at Salt Lake City, Utah, and will hold their first banquet on Alumni Day, February 18.

$\Sigma\ N$ is announced at DePauw. There were six charter members, all of a local organized last year and going by the name of *Lethe.*

We learn from a correspondent of the *Kappa Alpha Journal* that "the simplicity and plainness of its cover consists in its beauty."

The ladies musical fraternity, $A\ X\ \Omega$, with chapters at DePauw and Albion, has reestablished its third chapter in the school of music at Northwestern.

The Syracuse chapter of $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$ took possession of a commodious chapter house, Jan. 1st. The house is adapted in every way for the use of the chapter.

The 45th annual convention of $Z\ \Psi$ met with the chapter at Brown University, January 15 and 16. A banquet at the Narragansett concluded the session.

The *Pan-Hellenic Supplement* issued by Editor Daniel of the *Palm*, appeared in the November *Delta Upsilon Quarterly* and the $\Delta\ K\ E$ *Quarterly* for January.

The ladies fraternities have decided to hold a Pan-hellenic conference and a call for the same has been issued by *K K Γ*, the convention to meet in Boston this April.

The New York *Herald* of Nov. 30, '90, contained an extended article on College Fraternity homes and Club Houses in that city from which we hope to quote in a later issue.

Twelve members of Delta Upsilon resident in Buffalo, N. Y., met October 13. and organized the Buffalo Delta Upsilon Club. Twenty-three names are now on the rolls of the club.

The chapter roll of *Φ Γ Δ* has been increased by two. The chapter at the University of Pennsylvania has been revived, and Washington and Lee has been entered with six charter members.

Β Θ Π has been endeavoring for two years to revive at Rutgers, and rumor has it that the effort has met with success. A dispensation authorized the initiation of men, who are as yet *sub rosa.*

At the University of Alabama, *Σ N* numbers 36, *Δ K E* 24, *Φ Δ Θ* 22, *Α Τ Ω* 21, and *K Α* 19. The chapters all meet in halls at the college, the rules not allowing the use of rooms at Tuskaloosa.

Ζ Ψ's temple at Yale was dedicated Thanksgiving day. The Yale chapter of this fraternity has been in existence but two years, but has built a lodge equalling in all respects those of *Ψ Υ* and *Δ K E.*

Sigma Nu has one member at the Ohio State University, a Sophomore from Kansas University, whom that fraternity would like to see organize a chapter. The school is already crowded with chapters.

The editor-in-chief of the Delta Gamma *Anchora*, is Miss Ina Firkins, an alumna of three years standing. Heretofore the management has been imposed upon active members of the Minnesota chapter.

At Stevens' Institute *Α Τ Ω* has revived her dead chapter by the initiation of six men. Of the other chapters, *Χ Φ* and *Β Θ Π* each with 14 members are the largest, and *Σ Χ* with 2 (both Seniors) the smallest.

Northwestern University has been afflicted this year with disagreement between the fraternity and "barb" elements, the latter antagonizing the former by withdrawing from all joint affairs. They publish a rival paper and expect to put out an annual to rival the *Syllabus.*

The Cornell and Amherst charges of $\Theta\ \Delta\ X$ last fall secured improved quarters, the former exchanging rooms in a block, for a well arranged house, and the latter building a three-storied addition to its former quarters.

The December *Shield* of $\Phi\ K\ \Psi$ has for a frontispiece a portrait of Frank H. Robinson, Cornell '88, who died in Chicago, October 24, 1890. He was a candidate for editor of the *Shield* at the late general convention of the fraternity.

The Sigma Tau chapter of $\Delta\ K\ E$ has been established at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology with fourteen members. The chapter was formally installed December 6, the exercises concluding with a banquet at the Tremont House.

Walton O. Kernochan committed suicide at the Delta Phi club house in New York city on the evening of October 12, by sending a bullet through his brain. He was twenty-seven years old, rich in his own right, and popular with his associates, but was a victim of melancholia.—*$X\ \Phi$ Quarterly.*

The Psi Upsilon Association of Columbus, filed articles of incorporation with the Secretary of State of Ohio in December. The object of the association is to acquire a building for the Kenyon chapter at Gambier. This chapter now has three members, and the total fraternity membership of 17 in the college is divided between six chapters.

The biennial Congress of Alpha Tau Omega was held in Richmond, Va., the last week in December. E. J. Shives of Tiffin, Ohio, was re-elected Grand Chief. All the other Grand Officers chosen were re-elections, save the Chaplain. Rev. T. H. Gailor, of Tennessee, succeeds Rev. C. W. Baker, of Dover, Pa. A pleasant feature was the presentation to Grand Chief E. J. Shives, of a fine diamond set $\Delta\ T\ \Omega$ badge by the convention.

Early in the present term, the Sigma Phis in the Cornell faculty, Professors Smith and Bristol, ex-President White and Judge Boardman, of Ithaca, together with a Sigma Phi from Chicago, founded the Cornell Chapter of Sigma Phi by initiating four Freshmen. On October 11, the Hamilton Chapter initiated seven more men bringing the membership up to eleven. A site on the campus has been granted the new chapter and plans drawn for the erection of an expensive house.—*$\Delta\ \Gamma$ Quarterly.*

Our relations with other chapters seem fairly agreeable and pleasant, although some now recognize us as a dangerous rival. Of the five fraternities here represented, one, Phi Kappa Psi has a neat chapter house, while two more, Sigma Chi and Phi Gamma Delta are also having buildings erected. Phi Delta Theta and

Alpha Tau Omega remain alone in the field without buildings of their own. That "Alpha Upsilon must and will have a chapter house within a very short space of time" is the determination of our boys and alumni. The plans of our proposed building are being rapidly pushed. The chapter and alumni are entering into the work with an earnestness that cannot fail to accomplish its purpose. Thanks are due our alumni who have so kindly and liberally assisted us in the line of subscriptions. It is our earnest desire to rival the buildings of other fraternities.—*Pennsylvania College Correspondence of T Δ Ω Palm.*

Most of the fraternities here have increased their membership over that of last session. The relative number of each is as follows: Sigma Alpha Epsilon, 16; Delta Kappa Epsilon, 13; Zeta Psi, 12. Beta Theta Pi, "the Dorg," has added five men to her kennel, making them 10; Phi Kappa Sigma, 9, one of these being Prof. Horace Williams; Phi Gamma Delta, 7; Alpha Tau Omega, 7. They have two sub Profs., one of Chemistry and one of Mathematics. They have taken in only one new man. This is quite a difference from their last year's membership. Phi Delta Theta, 5, only one initiate. The expected death of Sigma Chi did not occur. She had only two men last session, one of these returned, and has taken in five men, making their present number 6. The death of Sigma Chi would have been of more honor to her.—*University of North Carolina Correspondence of Sigma Nu Delta.*

We are elated over the result of the oratorical contest held here on Friday evening, December the 12th. Bro. J. M. Criley, whom Phi Gamma gave us last year, was the only Phi Psi speaker of the evening, and against six other excellent young orators won the first honor with the utmost ease. Bro. John will, in consequence, represent Wittenberg in the State contest at Wooster early next year.—*Wittenberg Correspondence of Φ K Ψ Shield.*

Mr. Criley has since been accused of plagiarizing his oration for this contest, and although exonerated by the Faculty, the local Oratorical Association maintain that the offense is grave enough to debar him from representing the college at the State contest, and the result is there is war at Wittenberg. We mention it not because Mr. Criley is a *Φ K Ψ*, but because the man was "lifted" from another fraternity, and whether justly or not, unpleasant shadows often follow the course of these illegal transfers.

Our new chapter house is well started. Brother J. H. Ballentine dug the first sod on September 24, and since then the work has been carried on rapidly as possible, and the foundation is already partly laid. We expect to be able to move into the house

in April. In it there will be accomodations for twelve men. The greater part of the ground floor is taken up by a large *salon* extending up through two stories. A gallery surrounds this on the second floor and six studies open from the gallery. The third floor is entirely given up to bed-rooms, there being twelve of them. Our lot is near the campus and on the edge of one of the beautiful ravines for which Ithaca is noted. It is so situated that two bay windows on the west side will almost overhang the ravine, and from them one can look out to the hills across the valley, or up the ravine to a pretty cascade not far from the house. Although the lodge will not be large, we confidently expect that it will excel any of the chapter houses here in comfort and beauty. Only four other fraternities own houses here. Many thanks are due to our alumni for the earnest efforts to secure a home for us, and especially to Brother Miller who made all the plans.—*Cornell Univ. Correspondence in X Φ Quarterly.*

COLLEGES.

Lehigh's Freshman class numbers 140 men.

President Knox, of Lafayette College, has resigned and Dr. Trail Green is acting president until the vacancy is filled.

At Colby and Adelbert, independent colleges for women have been established in connection with the men's college proper.

Justices Brewer and Brown, appointed to the bench of the Supreme Court by President Harrison are Yale men and classmates.

Richard Jesse, Professor of Latin at Tulane University, has been elected President of Missouri State University. He is a member of Sigma Chi.

The trial of the University of Michigan students concerned in the Ann Arbor military fatality has resulted in their exoneration from blame in the affair.

Foot ball is gaining quite a hold in Southern colleges. In Virginia and the Carolinas it has become popular, while two years ago practically nothing was known of the game.

The lease of a conveniently situated lot was presented to Rutgers College last fall, the ground to be used for an athletic field. $1,900 has been subscribed for improving this, of which amount the faculty gave $500.

Handel's oratorio "The Messiah," was rendered by the Knox College Conservatory of Music, December 10th, at Galesburg.

Of the four soloists three were from abroad. The chorus contained 125 voices well trained for the occasion.

Trinity College, N. C., will be moved to Durham where it comes into possession of several fine buildings. The number of students, now 150 will probably be much increased by the move. *Α Τ Ω* has revived her chapter at the college despite of hostile laws.

There are three Phis on the staff of the *Colby Echo*, one being managing editor. The issue of November 22d contained a good account of the Alpha Province Convention at Ithaca. From it we learn also that Bro. Hurd has been elected Toastmaster, and Brother Sheldon, Poet, both in the Junior class.

Prof. James Black of Wooster University, died Dec. 23, 1890. He was an alumnus of Washington College, class of 1849 and a member of *Φ Γ Δ*. He was offered the Presidency of Wooster while its buildings were in course of erection. Since 1875 he had filled the chair of Greek languages and literature, and until last June had been Vice-president.

From New York Epsilon we learn that Syracuse University has decided to adopt an "honor system." A uniform system of grading will be followed by all professors. Those obtaining a certain term grade will be eligible to examinations for "first grade" passing which for two terms will catalogue the student as a "first grade" or "honor" man. Commencement honors will be awarded to none but what have been published as "first grade" men two years of their course.

The chief event in college thus far is the resignation of the Rev. Dr. Haydn, *Amherst*, '56, of the presidency of the University and the acceptance of the office by the Rev. Dr. Thwing, who leaves one of the most important Congregrational churches in the country, that of Minneapolis. Dr. Haydn has done a noble work here. He has added the Conservatory of Music, the Art School and the Woman's Department to the College, the Medical School and the two Academies, making a University with about 800 students. He has established over the remains of co-education a very successful college for women equal in standard to Smith or Vassar. He has built a gymnasium, added new and well-endowed professorships, increased the number of the students and added to the endowment.—*Adelbert College correspondence of Δ Υ Quarterly.*

Few millionaires have in their death raised as many monuments to their memory as did Mr. Fayerweather in his—monuments that from day to day will speak and do good things in his name.

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—The will of Daniel B. Fayerweather, the millionaire leather dealer, which was filed to-day, gives $2,100,000 to different colleges and $95,000 to hospitals. The testator died on November 15, 1890.

The following bequests are made: Yale College for Sheffield Scientific School, $300,000; Columbia College, $200,000; Cornell University, $200,000; Bowdoin College, $100,000; Amherst College, $100,000; Williams College, $100,000; Dartmouth College, $100,000; Wesleyan University, $100,000; Hamilton College, $100,000; University of Rochester, $100,000; Lincoln University, $100,000; University of Virginia, $100,000; Hampton University, $100,000; Marysville College, $100,000; Union Theological Seminary and Endowment of Cadetships, $50,000; Lafayette College, $50,000; Marietta College, $50,000; Adelbert College, $50,000; Wabash College, $50,000; Pach College, $50,000.

Princeton College in the absence of fraternities has to look after the dormitory accommodations of its students. This note clipped from the *Mail and Express* reports handsome additions in this line:

Albert Dod Hall was thrown open to the students who had chosen rooms in it on the first day of the opening of the college. President Patton said it had been the intention of his colleagues and himself to have the donor, Mrs. Brown, attended by the professors' wives, formally open the dormitory with appropriate exercises, but the severity of the weather prevented such desirable proceedings. The same day on which the president received possession of the new Dod Hall, agreements were concluded with the same contractor for the erection of a similar building, to be commenced at once, so that the dormitory may be ready for the incoming class next September. It is expected that the fine Alexander Alumni building will be commenced soon. This will be the most elegant building on the campus. The two literary halls, Clio and Whig, are being raised rapidly, and the new chemical hall on the northeast portion of the college grounds will soon be completed. It will be provided with all the necessary facilities for original scientific research. From this it will be seen that in the space of a few months Princeton will have been provided with six large and magnificent buildings of great importance. Very probably the next gift announced will be that of a new gymnasium to meet the fast growing wants of the college.

From a copy of the *Lombard Review* we clip the notice of Illinois Zeta's annual "stag" banquet, which has not yet been reported in THE SCROLL, and will be found interesting:

The Illinois Zeta Chapter, Phi Delta Theta, celebrated its twelfth annual stag banquet, Saturday night, Nov. 8th. The banquet room was decorated in white and blue. Before the banquet a beautiful

horseshoe wreath of blue violets and white carnations was presented to the boys by seven young ladies: Misses Harsh, Bradford, Carleton, Turner, Wiswell, Tomkins, Crum. The meeting was called in the chapter room, where the impressive anniversary ceremonies were enacted. Then the boys adjourned to the banquet. After the good things, of which not a few much appreciated were donated by kind friends of the chapter, had been done ample justice to, President M. M. Case announced the toasts. He made a welcome address which was responded to by C. E. Sturtz, of the Knox chapter. "The New Ritual" was toasted by S. T. Donohoe, who is an enthusiast on the subject. C. N. Anderson emphasized "The Necessity of Unity" in all things, and especially in Phi affairs. G. L. A. Dale, of Knox chapter told a few of the "Benefits of Phidom." Chas. Cottrell gave valuable points to recent initiates on "Spiking Barbs." Fred. Farlow toasted "The Harrison Banquet," then the chapter warden, D. P. Wild. read the Pyx. The contents were most interesting, as it contained some strong Phi talk from Phis of '90. Then all departed, talking about their feast. Zeta's guests were Messrs. Sturtz, Dale, Williams, Marsh, and Copp of the Knox chapter, and Harry Parker, D. E. Allen, C. N. Anderson, '90, R. L. Slater, '90, Fred. Farlow, '90, and Newt. Conger. All present remarked the grace and agility of the waiters. The committee in charge, who did their work well, were Stillman, Allen, McCarl, Wild and Young.

The *Occident* of University of California contained the following California College song from the pen of Prof. Gayley, who has written some fine verse for University of Michigan, after one of which this song is modelled.

THE BLUE AND GOLD.

BY CHARLES MILLS GAYLEY.

Air from "I PURITANI."

Blue in the holt and hollow,
Bells in the slanting grass,
Runnels that leap and follow
And sapphire wings that pass;
Lilies in azure umbels,
Fields that the lupines strew,
Coigns where the lilac tumbles
Down in a mist of blue:
Hurrah!
Blue of the Bay below us—
Blue of the skies unrolled,—
Blue of the hills that know us:
Oh, ours the Blue and Gold!

Gold on the broom and heather,
Groves where the orange wakes
Under the gleaming weather,
The sleepy wind—that takes
Flight from the far horizon,
Out of his western cave,
Curling the gold that lies on
Flower of the field and wave;
Hurrah!
Gold of the cup and petal,
Flame on the hill and wold,
Heart of the sterling metal,
Oh, ours the Blue and gold!

Dream of the bards and sages!
Ship of the golden prow
Riding the blue of ages,—
Our spirits man thee now,
Hold through the night's wild splendor,
Drive till the stars be gone,
Sailing to win the tender
Wake of the golden dawn:
Hurrah!
Colors we hoist, adorning
Skies that are new and old:
Colors of night and morning—
Oh, ours the Blue and Gold!

Dr. John's opening lecture at De Pauw University last fall has been widely quoted, and is more than worthy of the attention given it. We like the extracts given by the *Mail and Express* so give them here. All Phis should read the article.

COLLEGE ETHICS.

The opening lecture of President J. P. D. John, of De Pauw University, before the college students is one which is worthy of the broadest circulation. It is a stern criticism of the sentiment which so generally prevails among college students that a more elastic code of morals applies to the wearers of the cap and gown, and that municiple ordinances are in force only up to the college gate.

"Accurately speaking," said Dr. John, "the very theme is an absurdity.

"College ethics! We do not speak of college axioms, for an axiom is an axiom, in college or out of it. We do not speak of a college multiplication table, for five times five are twenty-five in the bank as well as in the shades of the academy. We do not speak of college gravitation, for a student falling from the college tower will strike the ground as hard as will the citizen who falls from the court-house spire. Gravitation simply asks the question how high is the fall? College ethics! College right angles! College parallel lines! The college north star!

"I have chosen this illogical combination from the fact there is a sentiment generally prevalent among collegemen that the combination is not illogical, but that there is such a thing as college ethics.

TWO STANDARDS OF CONDUCT.

"Put in plain English, the sentiment which prevails in many colleges is this: To tell a lie is wrong on the street, but right in college. To cheat is wrong in market, but right in college. To use personal violence is wrong in a saloon, but right in a college. To boycott is wrong in Ireland, wrong even in the business circles of the United States, but right in a college. To destroy property is wrong in a cow-boy, but right in a college student. To take a bellowing calf up a man's stairway, through his attic and leave it upon his roof, half frightened to death, and half frightening to death the immediate neighbors, is wrong in a town boy, but right, even manly and honorable, in a college boy. To violate the golden rule is wrong in a heathen, but right in a Christian, provided the Christian happens to have his name on the college roll. The golden rule, so beautifully exemplified by the Divine Teacher, is binding upon the conscience of the pirate of the high seas; of the liquor seller, as the young man appears at the bar for his first drink; of the Indian with his tomahawk uplifted; of the gambler in his den of infamy—but forsooth this same golden rule was not made to measure the conscience of a Christain who has matriculated in a a Christian college.

HAZING OR MURDER.

"Again, to restrain a man of his liberty without cause, and to add personal violence to this restraint, is wrong, even among savages; but to tie a young man to his bed post, to shave his head, to hang him until he chokes, to put him in a perspiration and then give him a shower bath of ice water, to put him into his bed that has been saturated with water, and after all, to seal his lips with the threat of worse personal violence, or even death—this is only a huge joke. Such contemptible and criminal proceeding, it seems, is right or wrong according to the way we spell the word describing it. If we spell it as they do in the street, m u-r-d-e-r, it is wrong; but it is all right, and a great joke, if we spell it as they do in some colleges, h-a-z-e."

Dr. John proceeds to handle without gloves the other prevalent college customs which tradition has led us to regard as privileged, and thus closes his argument:

"What is right in your college life, is right anywhere and everywhere. What is wrong anywhere else is wrong in college. The golden rule does not bend around a crooked college act. A foot is twelve inches in college and out of it. A pound is sixteen ounces in the store and in the class room. A dollar is a hundred cents on Christmas day, it is a hundred cents on examination day, and it will be a hundred cents on the judgment day."

November and December saw some very interesting events at the University of California. An Amateur Athletic Association has been organized by lovers of athletics at the University, which includes the preparing schools for the University in Berkeley and

Oakland. Of these there are five counting the two High Schools. This Association held its first meeting on the University Cinder Path, Saturday, November 8th, 1890. It was a marked success. Members of Z Ψ were largely interested in its management.

The Seventeenth Field Day of the University was held Dec. 6, 1890, and was similarly successful. There were a number of entries by Phis who secured several prizes.

Junior Day occurred Dec. 13th, and was the event of the term. The morning was given up to two addresses by members of the class. At 1:30 P. M. exercises were resumed and following the Glee Club and an essay, the Junior Day Farce was rendered. This was a satire on the University and was titled "The 'Versity of Samoa, or the Kicker and the Kicked."

The farce pictured the ills of the University, real or fancied, and held up some of the professors and officers before looking glasses. Among leading characters D. Winter carricatured Secretary J. H. C. Bonte. In make-up, voice and mannerisms Winter aimed to represent Dr. Bonte to the life.

J. A. Gammill represented Professor G. H. Howison, Professor of the Transcendent Isness of the Everlasting. R. D. Cohn was Professor W. D. Armes and L. Goldstone was Professor Hubbard. Professor Putzker, instructor in German, was caricatured by T. Harris as Professor of all the Languages Under the Sun.

Professor Bacon found his counterpart in William Lubbert, who was "Professor of Irish History and Catholicism." Professors Howison and Bacon are dog fanciers, and their pets were touched off as Socrates and Timothy. R. H. Morrow assumed two characters, both with success. In the first he was Finlay Cook of the college; in the other he was Patsy McPull, a political lamb. E. F. Haas, as Blondel, carricatured C. M. Gayley, Professor of English Literature; but the handsome young Stocktonian was less a caricature than a picture of manly beauty. C. C. Young was the counterfeit presentment of Josiah Royce of the faculty. The plot was as varied as only a budding dramatist like F. M. Greene, who is, by the way, a brother of Clay M. Greene, could make it.

THE SCENE IN SAMOA.

The central idea was a satirical criticism of the present business management of the University. In the cast the melancholy Juniors were Samoans in feathers, paint, scalping-knives and savage bravery.

The "'Versity of Samoa" was founded on motion of "U. B. Blode," supposed to represent Dr. Bonte. The native maiden, Dellula was B. G. Somers, and very daintily did he sing and act his lines. The savages boiled "U. B. Blode," preferring potted missionary to a gelee of white man, and then invited the tribe to the feast to the words, "O come and taste this delicate crumb." At the last moment "Blode," whom they could not boil, was rescued by the Regents, to the air, "I was born in 'Frisco in a small back room."

The President of the Board of Regents then outlined the future: "The institution will be run according to the most approved methods

of modern politics, and will offer an admirable opportunity for any ambitious and reasonably servile man of means to try the power of a well directed pull. There will be a President, a very important functionary. He will be elected by us—with a great big U—principally for the sake of being bulldozed by us—with a great big U—until he either truckles to us, as all right-minded college Presidents should do, or leaves in disgust.

"This will be repeated indefinitely, much to the general improvement of the aforesaid institution. We ourselves don't know much about education—we don't need to—Regents never do. We are simply hard-headed, practical business men, and will run the institution on hard-headed, practical business principles. We repeat that the institution will be run on political principles and for the sake of politics—not education. The generally current idea that the purpose of the State University is the fostering of higher education is all wrong. It's not practical and doesn't admit of being pursued on a cash basis. So the higher education may go where the woodbine twineth."

SOME OF THE SONGS.

And then the Regents cast about for a Secretary, the first candidate being "U. B. Blode." The candidate disclaimed especial fitness, but was reassured by the President of the board in these words:

"Excuse us, brother, but we think you would suit. Have you ever made it a point of honor to disagree with everybody under the sun on every conceivable occasion, to make yourself obnoxious and generally disagreeable to the world in general and those to whom you owe most in particular? In short you have done your best to make all worthy men wish you where the wicked cease from troubling and the weary are at rest?"

"Blode" answers, "Well, with all due humility, I think I can answer, yes," and he is installed as Secretary and general kicker to the Board of Regents.

And so the Juniors filled a fair one hundred minutes, satiric at times, then tender as Blondel sang of the far-of Farallones, where the pensive segull hath his cronies, or of some "bright as the star of the morning," of whom the graceless Junior sang:

And the roseate hue of her liplets
Is due to the Japanese paint;
And as to her form it looks queenly,
But, like many another, it ain't.

The farce was received appreciatively and the laughter and applause were continuous. The afternoon was given up to a social dance in the gymnasium, which was generally attended.

The exercises of the day closed with the dance given in the gymnasium, which was attended by as large a number as the floor would conveniently accommodate.

EXCHANGES.

The Delta of Sigma Nu comes this year from Hiawatha, Kansas, remaining under the care of Grant W. Harrington. The December number contains thirty-two pages, of which one is editorial. There is a contributed article of three pages on "Fraternity Work Needed," in which the writer says if the members of Sigma Nu want to see their Fraternity the best in America" instead of "lagging along at the tail end of the procession" they must go to work with a vim, and asserts that if they do so they will "certainly make it that very thing." The editorial paragraph notes that the Chattanooga convention declared for a vigorous northern and western extension, and the first key-note sounded in this campaign is a chapter at De Pauw. The chapter is composed of the members of *Lethe*, an organization which was the result of a split in "barb" politics last year. Noting that the Rubicon "or rather the Ohio" has been crossed, and hailing it as a new era in chapter development, the State Universities of Ohio, Minnesota and Iowa are given as their next objective points. Other worlds are to be conquered in due time.

The *Palm* for November is the last from Editor Daniel for the present, so we understand. The recent Alpha Tau Omega Congress put the paper in the hands of the High Council, Mr. Daniel intending to devote his attention entirely to his *Pan-Hellenic Supplement* scheme. The November *Palm* was a fitting close to Mr Daniel's vigorous editorial campaign for *A T Ω* and Pan-Hellas. It was a pyrotechnic display in which both of these last named received equal attention, including pictorial illumination.

Fifty-six pages are given to the *Palm* proper, the first twenty-one of these being devoted to chapter correspondence. In this department is noted the revival of the Stevens Institute chapter, while the Lehigh chapter which was lapsing into a state of pernicious inactivity, has received the attention of a newly arrived resident member, and gives promise of some life, as there are four members who are receiving full sized doses of hot enthusiasm and activity from the above mentioned resident.

Editorially the *Palm* says that although the fraternity is young, it is in the first rank as a moral, intellectual and decorous institution. In wealth and numbers alone it is unequal to older rivals. This is followed up by some very nice and skillful stroking of the fur of *A T Ω*, that must be satisfactory to Alpha Tau's. While few outside of *A T Ω* may be ready to grant all that the editorial says, yet it has for its backing the principal which lies at the core of successful fraternity work. That is the honest belief that one's own fraternity has in it a personality that makes it *to him* the most

perfect type of a fraternal organization, and gives him a faith in its future that the pessimism of the strongest rival can not storm. Such an attitude reached by the members of any fraternity their work will always mean a more tangible increase of its prosperity. And so we predict for Alpha Tau Omega. Additional ideas may be gained of the tone of the *Palm* from these editorial sub-heads: "The Pan-Hellenic Convention," No Consolidation," "Benefits of Federation," "Fraternity Reciprocity," "Fraternity Rivalry," and "Fraternity Politics." The handsome faces of E. J. Shives, Worthy Grand Chief, and Rev. O. A. Glazebrook, Founder, are presented along with others of delegates to the then approaching Congress.

The *Pan-Hellenic Supplement* issued by the *Palm's* editor, which has appeared since in the *Δ Γ* and *Δ K E Quarterlies*, and will be found also in the next *Σ A E Record* we understand, is practically a symposium of editors opinions on the proposed Pan-Hellenic Convention. The distinguishing feature of each one of these opinions is that it is markedly different from any and all the others. The *Supplement* is illustrated with half tone portraits of the editors of the *Palm*, *Δ Γ Quarterly*, *Δ K E Quarterly*, THE SCROLL, *Sigma Chi Quarterly* *Σ A E Record*, and *Kappa Sigma Quarterly*. It would be impossible to sum up the ideas on Pan-Hellenism, and formulate it in any other sentence than "The question is still before the house."

The *Chi Phi Quarterly* for November has an interesting article "The Twelve Apostles of Upsilon," these being the founders of the "Hobart Order of *X Φ*," written by two of the members. The article shows that the name *X Φ* did not come incidentally from the choosing of a motto, but that it was chosen because the monogram made the neatest badge, and a motto was chosen subsequently to fit the initials.

"We compared all the badges we could find and were dissatisfied with all except the idea of a monogram, so somebody, at this late day it would be difficult to remember who, but probably Shephard, cut Greek capitals out of paper and made numerous combinations until the present one met general approbation for symmetry, whereupon Tuttle applied himself assiduously to the study of a Greek dictionary and evolved the motto which we adopted, and proposed to name the chapter Upsilon, which was agreed to."

The "Hobart Order" was founded November 15, 1860, and a banquet celebrating the thirtieth anniversary of this event is announced to be held at Delmonico's, November 26. We hope the enterprise was a success as it deserved to be.

Comparatively little personal mention is made of rivals in chapter letters. The *Quarterly* contains the most blood-curdling account of the alleged sensational fraternity fight at Miami University that has been published, that does much honor to the New

York *Herald's* reporter who dressed up the Associated Press dispatch into this "special."

Mr. Albert P. Jacobs, of Detroit, author of the "Epitome" of Psi Upsilon, has issued a 38 page pamphlet on "The Psi Upsilon Fraternity and the University of Minnesota." It is a history of the university and the θ Φ society which, organized in 1879 when X Ψ was the only other fraternity in the institution, has been a petitioner for a Ψ Υ charter since 1881. The merits of the θ Φ movement are given, and a careful analysis made of the opposition to the granting of the charter. Mr. Jacobs is heartily in favor of the admission of the chapter and makes a strong argument in its favor. In fact it is nothing but a misconceived idea of conservatism that has debarred the entrance of the chapter into Ψ Υ ranks. The last Convention voted favorably on the petition which was thereupon submitted to the chapters, and the result is still in the balance. Failure to receive a two-thirds vote in any chapter means failure for another year.

But one number of the *Rainbow* of Δ T Δ, that for October, has spanned the limited sky of our sanctum this college year. The *Rainbow* now opens its pages with its editorial department, which under the present management has so far proven vigorous leading matter. The only extended article of this department in the October issue is one in regard to the Pan-Hellenic movement as championed by Mr. Daniel, formerly of the *Palm*. There is a discussion of the pros and cons of this which concludes with the definition of the position of Delta Tau Delta on this question.

This the editor states "frankly, with no arrogation of self-righteousness." He says that the movement offers little to his fraternity since Delta Tau Delta has long practiced what the apostles of the plan advocate.

"For years Delta Tau Delta has taken this advanced ground. She has not been guilty of lifting, or initiating an expelled member; she has not initiated 'preps,' (or members of the 'knee breeches brigade;') she has not initiated honorary members. She has also striven to realize her ideals of culture, like other fraternities. We keep out expelled members as a matter of self-protection, and prohibit lifting because it is not only ungentlemanly, but because it almost necessarily involves perjury. In this respect we are beyond what is advocated by the apostles of extreme Pan-Hellenism, and still maintain positions taken years ago in the face of all our rivals. And so while Delta Tau Delta may be willing to enter a Pan-Hellenic association, it will be rather that she may aid others to come up to the standard which has long been hers. The profit to her will come mainly through the ethics of some of her rivals, on some of the points named. Delta Tau Delta has her quota of faults, like other fraternities, but these are, in the main,

such as must be remedied by inner growth, and not by any outward application, or Pan-Hellenic panacea.

There may be some that can fittingly take exceptions to the statement that this position was "taken years ago in the face of all our rivals," but the editor in his self congratulatory definition of Δ T Δ's position, has skillfully used the language that would well express the attitude of several others towards the present *Palm* agitated Pan-Hellenic Association. There is a well defined idea extant that not only does Pan-Hellenism and the Comity of Fraternities *begin* at home, but that these same have in several instances already *begun*.

A series of articles on "Extinct Chapters of our Fraternity," is announced, and the first of these covering the period from 1860 to 1870 is given by W. Lowrie McClurg, President of the fraternity. In his preface Mr. McClurg states that the roll of Delta Tau Delta shows nineteen extinct chapters. Mr. Baird in his edition of American College Fraternities, just out, credits twenty-six to the list, so of the extra seven given by Mr. Baird, we presume we shall hear nothing. The "Symposium" gives views from six writers, four of them college professors, on President Eliot's proposition to shorten the college course from four to three years.

The chapter letter department is well filled, and gives indication of a successful year, there being letters from thirty-one colleges. The Ohio University correspondent comes to the front again with, to borrow an expression from the *Rainbow*, its "characteristic quotations," these being an overwhelming review of Φ Δ Θ at that institution. For these several years, however, our chapter has spread out the record of an honorable and highly successful career, that makes a fitting companion piece to these reports, if indeed it does not reveal the antagonistic cause for them. The recently established chapter at Cornell began the year in a new house built especially for its use, which appears to be in every way a pleasant home for the chapter. The house is of brick, and will accommodate sixteen or eighteen men.

The number concludes with a dip of a fiery pen into exchanges, in which the Σ X correspondent at the University of Minnesota is the object of much wrath, the cause of which was a statement to the effect that Σ X had given Δ T Δ several defeats in "rushing" men, all of which the latter claims to be "utterly false and without foundation."

The December number completed volume six of the *Shield* of Theta Delta Chi, which volume gave 510 pages of reading matter to its subscribers. In reviewing the year the editor rightfully speaks in a satisfactory way about the success of the volume. He is endearing the *Shield* to Θ Δ X's, infusing new life into the

fraternity, and is winning for it a more generous recognition throughout the fraternity world. At the end of volume five by the aid of Alumni, the burden of debt which the *Shield* carried was lifted, and volume six was run on its own merits. It had 325 graduate and 250 undergraduate subscribers, with a total circulation of 750 copies. Notwithstanding the large size and numerous expensive features, illustrations chiefly, of the volume, it is stated that the receipts have fully covered all expenses of publication, including the gratuitous distribution of more than a thousand sample copies to non-subscribers. Theta Delta Chi owes Mr. Holmes not only for his editorial work, but also, we doubt not, that the *Shield's* printing bill was placed at a figure such as its income could meet. The editor was honored at the recent convention by election to the Presidency of the Grand Lodge. The December issue contains biographies of the late Alex. L. Holley, famous for his perfecting a process for the manufacture of steel, and John Hay, President Lincoln's Secretary, and joint author with J. G. Nicolay, of the life of Abraham Lincoln. Both men were members of the Brown University charge. With the biographies are presented excellent portraits of each. George Arnold Mason, Rennsselaer, '55, who met accidental death while on a railway train for inspection of the road, March 12, 1855, is the subject of a brief illustrated biography. There is a sketch of Union college, illustrated with plates showing the grounds and buildings of this famous institution "the Cradle of the Greeks." Of the fraternities whose parent chapter was at Union all are alive save those of $X\ \Psi$ and $\theta\ \Delta\ X$. It is said that $X\ \Psi$ is endeavoring to revive there, and although $\theta\ \Delta\ X$ has as yet taken no active measures looking to the same end, there is no doubt the fraternity would be very glad to see itself once more established within the precincts of the college which gave it birth. $B\ \theta\ \Pi$ with 16 members has the largest membership, and $K\ A$ with 7 the smallest, $\Phi\ \Delta\ \theta$ is credited with 6, a mistake for 9. The article claims that all the active chapters at the college now are prosperous, and that there remains sufficient good material to justify the revival of $X\ \Psi$ and $\theta\ \Delta\ X$.

News is given that the Theta (Kenyon) charge is not dead but "has revived with renewed energy after lying dormant as it were, for about a year." It has initiated one man, and has a total membership of one. $B\ \theta\ \Pi$ has an equal number, and $\Delta\ K\ E$ with five has the largest number of any. We have noticed with what hopeful expectancy for each of the last five years $\Delta\ T\ \Delta$, $B\ \theta\ \Pi$, $\theta\ \Delta\ X$, et al., have announced that they have a large number of excellent men pledged in the "academy," that the waning fortunes of "Old Kenyon" are about revived, and that with the increased attendance there will be material in abund-

ance and to spare for all the chapters there. Each year has opened up with the same disappointments repeated, but happily with the eternal hope springing up anew. We should be glad to see that increase in prosperity which the history of this college entitles it to, but at present Kenyon is decidedly a "back number" in Ohio.

The *Shield* would puncture the "original" idea of $\Phi K \Psi$ in her button by saying it was copying after the G. A. R., Scottish Rite and other societies whose members have worn such emblems, as well as that at odd times they had been worn by members of other fraternities. But doubtless the claim for originality, as was the case with Beta Theta Pi in her flag, consisted "in seizing upon the idea and transmitting it into an inspiration and practical realization." The *Shield* then announces an idea "strictly original," that of issuing a pocket residence directory of all $\theta \Delta X$ residents of New York and vicinity.

Under the head of "Charge Letters," the editor has this request which we quote for our reporters, not as instructions, but so they can see how it is done elsewhere.

"Charge editors are again requested to write only on one side of the paper and to assume a style somewhat more expansive than a telegraphic communication. The next letter is due on March 1st, 1891, and should be as long as possible. Write legibly."

The letters in this department are well written and contain more news than the average chapter letters. Twenty-four pages are given altogether to exchanges, general news and comments.

NOTE.

This is a good time for the chapters to begin to lay plans for representation at the Atlanta Convention. No chapter can afford to be without a representative there, and as this will be the best opportunity many will have for such a visit for years, many of our Northern Phi's should take advantage to visit the New South, and that best representative of its cultured cities, Atlanta, the Gate City.

POT-POURRI.

The frontispiece of this number showing the Statute of Lafayette and the "College" at University of Vermont is from the *Ariel* and is loaned by Vermont Alpha.

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Reporters will please send in names of all initiates since the report in the June, 1890, number, at their earliest possible opportunity. We want the coming June number to represent a complete list of the names added to our rolls since then.

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The April SCROLL will be of special interest to alumni, as it will contain reports of Alumni Day observance and an abundance of Personals, besides its regular departments. Reporters will oblige us by mentioning this fact in their Annual Circular Letter to the alumni of their chapters.

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We do not deem it amiss to call the attention of SCROLL readers to the advertisements to be found in its pages. Those represented are all leaders in their respective lines, and the fact that they contribute to the success of the SCROLL entitles them to first consideration when investments are to be made in their lines.

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It is with no small degree of pleasure that we record the election of Brother W. F. Vilas, Ex-Postmaster General and Ex-Secretary of the Interior, to a seat in the United States Senate, to succeed Senator Spooner of Wisconsin. With four representatives in the highest legislative body of our country the Fraternity can well claim honor in the fact.

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The February *Century* has an abundance of good features. Besides the Tallyrand Memoirs, California Gold Discovery articles there are others no less interesting—such as "The Georgia Cracker in the Cotton Mills" and "Northern Tibet and the Yellow River." In fiction "The Faith Doctor," by Edward Eggleston, promises to be above the high average of this author.

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G. K. Denton, Σ Δ E, will represent Ohio Wesleyan University in the State Oratorical Contest. H. C. Robinson, Φ Δ Θ, received 3d honor. From Buchtel, H. H. Henry, Φ Δ Θ, will be the orator, and L. F. Lybarger, Φ Δ Θ, is alternate. A lady won the honor at Ohio State University, and will represent that institution. J. M. Colley, Φ K Ψ, won first honor at Wittenberg.

The Editor is in receipt of a number of clippings, personals, and items of interest sent in by SCROLL friends which will appear in the April number. Among these are favors from Rev. Robert Morrison, the venerable and beloved founder of the Fraternity. We note his return once more to Fulton, Missouri, after a residence of several years at Aurora Springs. The SCROLL voices the feeling of the Fraternity in wishing Bro. Morrison a Happy New Year, with all the glad things that belong to him who "has fought the good fight" so faithfully as he has.

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Early in January the General Council held a conference at Louisville, Ky., for the discussion of matters demanding early action. The most important of these was the question of catalogue finances, it being found necessary that there should be some modification of the scheme proposed at Bloomington. One application for charter which had come almost within reach of success was finally tabled, to be allowed to come before the Atlanta convention without prejudice if so desired. Another has been submitted to the chapter vote, and upon the result of this its success depends. The Council have prepared a full account of this meeting which is in the hands of all the chapters, and we refer our readers to this account.

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BROTHER.

Laden with dreams of the ages,
  Down all the years that are flown,
Proven by wisdom of sages
  Cometh the token we own.
He that saith rightly "My Brother"
  Learns of its measureless worth;
Grasping the hand of another
  Fathoms the kinship of earth.
Deep in the heart and immortal
  Abideth a sense of the bond,
Impulse that opens the portal
  Wide unto ecstacies fond.
Sad were the journey and weary,
  Painful the burdens we bear,
Darker the future and dreary
  Reft of the symbol so fair.
Breath from a kingdom supernal
  Murmuring softly and sweet,
Whispering duties fraternal,
  Leading the wandering feet.
Guide us, thy mandates are golden;
  Thine be the day and the goal,
Spirit of brotherhood olden
  Brooding divine in the soul.

EDWARD FULLER, *Maine Alpha*, '85.

Duluth, February, 1891.

THE CHAPTER FIRESIDE.

The winter had been mild to the extreme; a serial in rain and mud, varied only by sharp frosts that seemed all the more severe for the effeminate mildness which had preceded—and so naturally followed. We began to fear that our old-time winters had really gone; that skating was to become obsolete and that the Thanksgiving and New Year's sleigh rides with the sweet co-eds had linked fortunes exclusively with the past, and that our old bob-sled, dignified with the title of "Hoosier Ben," would never have another opportunity to pass the other flyers on the coasting track as it always did the winters when snow came with December and tarried through February. So it was with surprise that we felt the chilly breezes of the North coming down on us so late in the winter when we were about ready to welcome spring. The new coats that some of the boys brought out to lead the Spring styles, had to give way again to the heavy ulsters; and the little grate of coals that had made the rooms comfortable had to leap up to a great flaming pile to make its warmth felt to those who came in from the late edition of winter blast.

But as the mercury in the thermometer outside traveled downwards, so the spirits of those that gathered round the chapter fireside took the occasion to rise.

What if the winds did sigh in the leafless trees? What if they did catch up in handfulls the snow, descended from the low-hanging storm cloud of winter, and brush it in eddying confussion across the rough and frozen street until it banked up against an opposing wall in a way that said it wouldn't be tossed about any more, or what if, deprived of this sport, in spiteful gusts they gave the windows angry shakes and bangs? It were better for all this as long as there was a fraternal warmth within. The keener the blasts outside, the warmer blazed our fire, and the closer drew our circle about it.

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So it happened that this particular Saturday evening I speak of, that the warm rays from our fire seemed to have made a warmer responsive glow in the hearts of all the boys gathered about—even more than the liberal amount of good cheer that was wont to be found there. The piano had been in much use. Nearly all joined in the rollicking college songs that we sang, "'Tis love, 'tis love, 'Tis love that makes the world go round," "The bull-frog on the bank," and through the whole gamut of popular airs; then when our brother started "Come brothers, let us all unite of Phi Delta singing," there was a switch to fraternity songs, and for the next half hour the air vibrated with the volume of those songs dear to the hearts of Phis. These over,

the boys began to break up into little groups, one coterie discussing a difficult problem assigned by the Professor in Mechanical Engineering. Across the room three of the boys were in earnest debate over what girls the boys were to take to the "hop" the next term; one maintaining that as the Rho Gammas had always done so much for the chapter the boys should pay them the compliment of seeing that they all had company; while another as stoutly maintained that while it was very true that the chapter was indebted to them for many social favors, and the rooms contained not a few tokens of their esteem, yet he didn't think it right that the chapter for this occasion should confine its courtesies to them alone. They were all girls popular in the college who would have good company anyhow, and it would be much better for the chapter members to select company from other circles as well. A collegiate "hop" was not a good occasion to repay chapter debts in the social line. If we owe the Rho Gammas we can get up a pleasant party for them in the spring.

At this point my attention was attracted to a conversation over by the piano.

"It's strange what a charm there is in these old songs as we sing of them," remarked Sands who had whirled around on the stool on which he sat at the piano. "They seem to get better each time we repeat them."

"Oh! that's easy enough," rejoined Williams, "a good song is the best breeder of enthusiasm going. Nothing will liven the boys up and get the kinks, if there are any, out of a chapter quicker than a feast of song. Why don't you remember the night Morton and Dunlap—Dunlap, by the way, was one of the best singers we ever had—had a little tilt over the class election? Why, it would have taken a feather's weight hardly to have brought those boys to open war. The boys got together at the meeting and a song was proposed. Both Morton and Dunlap at first refused to join in and things went slow; finally Morton to appear less ill at ease came round, and it wasn't long until Dunlap's tenor was heard to come in on the chorus of 'Phi Delta Theta for Aye," and you wouldn't believe it, but at the end of those songs those two fellows had lost the keen edge of their angry feeling and it was but a short time before they had gotten together and were talking the matter over in the kindliest way possible, each wondering why he hadn't seen it in that light before. I tell you there's something in music that over-rides a good deal of the bad in us, boys, and we are infinitely more companionable for the songs we sing."

"Yes, I'm ready to grant all that you claim for music, but that wasn't exactly what I meant to get at when I dropped my remark about the charm," replied Sands. "What I meant was

there was sentiment running through our Fraternity songs that made them more to us than the ordinary college song. And if our fraternity songs mean more to us in our chapter life than any others, there is some principle back of it to explain it.

"Well, there ought to be," laughingly began Williams—"for you take a fair part of our songs, if it were not that they are Phi songs, I greatly fear that they would be consigned to oblivion. Only a few of them have the easy flowing lines and catchy music that would make them popular of themselves. It's the Phi sentiment in them that finds an echo in our chapter-life that makes them what they are to us, to give you a more sensible explanation of the point you suggested; anything that adds to the spirit of chapter love is bound to be popular."

"You're right, and yet I fear you're wrong too, dear boy. I file exceptions to your free use of the word "chapter" and "chapter life," for much as I put store by them, I believe you use them when "fraternity" and "fraternity life" would be much better. I see we agree on the music question—it's because there is something near and dear to us in their 'sentiment' rather than a superior excellence of music that makes our Phi songs such jolly ones. But our discussion has brought up this point—do all the boys recognize the source of the inspiration which comes to them in all their associations together in this chapter? Isn't there a little tendency to feel too much self-sufficiency in our chapter ranks without looking to the general Fraternity itself? We're but one of the units going to make up our grand Fraternity, and it is to her that we owe the warm enthusiastic spirit which binds us together and gives us the energy to work for the success of this particular branch of it."

"You'll have to look out or your pet idea will become a hobby, Sands. I'm willing to grant some of the things you claim, but I can't put them up as high in the scale of importance as you do. I love our Fraternity, the high principles on which it is founded. I love it for its wise policy and I love it for the inspiring teachings of its secret work and organization. But our chapter here is the exemplification of these to me. And our reputation here in this college depends on our chapter, not on the Fraternity at large. We stand high because we have worked hard all the time, have asked none but good men to come in with us and never let one of these be counted for lost until somebody, thank fortune generally ourselves, had him, and better still because we've every one of us stuck together through thick and thin. We got the name here of being "stuck on one another" and its a good fault to have. At the same time we have mixed with other chapters and "barbs" more than any other chapter here. And what's more, there isn't a chapter here that can accuse us of having in any contests for men or honors ever indulged in any

ungentlemanly 'mud-slinging.' If we owe our high standing to our own work, then naturally the chapter is more to us than our general fraternity."

So summed up, Williams thought his argument to support his "chapter point of view" was an invulnerable one, and it was with a self-satisfied air, betraying a feeling of friendly triumph that he looked at Brother Sands, who had followed each point of his recital, seemingly pleased at every point scored as though they added to his position rather than weakened it. "Fixed as we are here, right at the top among the fraternities, wont you admit that we look more to our chapter than the Fraternity at large?" added Williams.

"Your points are finely put and if ever I was called on for a eulogy of our chapter I wouldn't ask for a better than the one you have just framed. Hobby or no hobby, my pet idea receives strong endorsement in all you have just said. I am in with you heart and soul on every compliment you pay this chapter, for I think its fully worthy of them all. But tell me, my dear fellow, where was the fountain and origin of this loyal fraternal spirit, that entering into the work of the boys has brought about this present prosperity? Did it originate *de novo* in our midst? I have it in my mind that we owe a debt to our Fraternity that a few years ago it sought out the men who were our charter members and conferred upon them the privileges of the Fraternity; that it had such rites and secrets transmitted in such a way as to claim alliance with only the better part of their natures, and that these have been handed to us in the succession that you see. Whose teachings do we transmit to every one who bows for the first time at our triple-faced altar? Those of Phi Delta Theta or those of our chapter? To whom does the initiate first pledge his loyalty? Is is not to Phi Delta Theta, making her best interests first in all that he does, his loyalty to the chapter being always conditioned that the chapter is endeavoring to promote the welfare of the Fraternity.

"Again there is another point. We all grant that a number in the chapter, in fact the majority of the boys, are but illy posted on all the ins and outs of the general Fraternity. They know that we have about so many chapters and that we are represented by good chapters in this and that prominent school and they can name several prominent men in national affairs who are members of the Fraternity.

"Then there are a few among us who are regular encyclopedias of information on the Fraternity, and can tell you every chapter and where it is located, with the strongest rivals of each. They know just which are the strongest chapters and can name all those occupying chapter houses. In addition they know just what points all our rival chapters here consider their strong ones,

and as naturally learn of their weak ones. They are the boys that the rest of the chapter refer to for information where something comes up in which such a bit of knowledge is wanted. We all grant that their knowledge is indispensable.

"Now I want to ask you, who is it generally does our strongest and hardest rushing when we are having a tussle with the Alpha's, Beta's or Gamma's over a good man? Isn't it always one of those boys who puts in our strongest and best licks? Two years ago we had a temporary backset just from the fact that the Commencement before had taken away from us our best posted men on general fraternity affairs, and consequently our best rushers, and we had no one to take their places in the Fall campaign. And it was not until the lively arguments of the rushing season caused the boys upon whom the active rushing fell to "post up" on all these points that we began to regain our grip in the fight for men.

"How did we come to get the Harvey boys in our ranks? Just because their sister while down in Pennsylvania, got acquainted with the boys of the Phi chapter at that place, who learning that her brothers were coming here talked $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$ to her for all they were worth, with the result that when they came here, we were at once informed; and though every good man from their home for the last eight years had joined the Gamma's, we got the men after as easy a fight as we ever had with them. You, yourself, are also an instance of a man recommended to us by a distant chapter, and you won't gainsay the fact that the chapter owes a debt (of gratitude to be sure, you know) for that pointer. I might multiply individual instances up into the tens and twenties, but these are enough to illustrate my point.

"Now we had an instance of misdirected loyalty last year. Rex, you know, entered Bufftroit, met the boys of the chapter one of the first things, and found them a royal set of good fellows—as he wrote me, 'true-blue Phi's, to a man,"—but he declined to affiliate, because he would thereby lose membership on our roll, and he didn't want his name to be dropped from our catalogue list. I guess we must blame our catalogue system for this objection which is not an exceptional one by any means. I have heard of a number of similar instances in the Fraternity in which men have not affiliated because they 'would rather not affiliate than be dropped from the catalogue list of the old chapter.' I know it's natural for a man to want his name connected with his first chapter love, but at the same time he ought not to let that over-ride the best interests of the Fraternity. And so we advised Rex to affiliate with the boys at Bufftroit, because by doing so he was able to do better service for Phi Delta Theta, and it was for the Fraternity he was to wield his influence where

and whenever he could, though goodness knows we all hate to see the catalogue come out without his name on our roll.

"No, the more I look at it, Williams, the more I think we should refer our standing and prosperity as a chapter back to the Fraternity, of which we are a part."

"Well, while we may differ in our views as to the relative position we shall give to chapter love," rejoined Williams, well pleased to have brought out such a tribute from Sands, who had been considered as only moderately enthusiastic on fraternity questions, "we are all agreed that no one of us is so wanting in loyalty that he will yield the palm to another the least bit in love for the Fraternity. We all look upon the symbols of Φ Δ Θ with a pride which the insigna of no other can lessen, and if I erred it was not in loving Phi Delta Theta less, but the chapter more."

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The discussion was not without the keenest interest to me, and I was glad to see that before it had progressed far that all the boys had gathered about to hear what was said. That love for the Fraternity is at the core of all chapter prosperity I had always firmly believed, and this little talk had served to bring the thought to all the members of the chapter more directly than it had been before, and I look for good results from it.

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University of Chicago, January 5, 1886—Rev. Robert Morrison, Brooks Station, Ky. My Dear Sir: "Enclosed find card and coat of arms of the Illinois Alpha of the Phi Delta Theta. They indicate that the chapter will be formally inaugurated on the 11th and 12th prox. We anticipate a good time. I did not return to Bloomington this year, but came to this city and college of the lakes and enrolled myself among her students. My first act was made toward establishing a chapter of our honored Brotherhood and my success has been more than I anticipated. We have taken a high stand among the old chapters and also gained the respect and admiration of our learned faculty and this high-toned community. Rev. Charles Elliott, D. D., is in the city, and has been one of our most encouraging aids. You

will doubtless recognize the significance of our coat of arms. If you can make it convenient to come we will welcome you with open arms and warm hearts. We are prepared to give our brothers all a hearty reception. We will give publication to the exercises in the western dailies. In haste, very truly and fraternally, R. A. D. WILBANKS."

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During my brief association with the Φ Δ Θ Society, your welcome letter was the first direct communication that we have received from the "head centre" of our Order Not that I attach blame to the Kentucky Alpha but attribute our failure of communication to the existence of circumstances over which God alone has control. But now that, as you say, strife has ceased, that we hear no more of wars, nor rumors of war, and, as I understand the Bond of the Φ Δ Θ Society, one of its chief designs is the advancement of social relations, to me it seems meet that there should at least be a more intimate connection sustained, in the way of correspondence. I think I can safely pledge fidelity on the part of the Indiana Beta. You have indeed a goodly number, and yet if we take into consideration our resident graduate who is as active a member as we can boast we will be constrained to proclaim our superiority in respect to numbers, for with him we number sixteen. We have resident here besides our regular attendant members five graduated ones from whom we are occasionally honored with a visit, and when those old and world-worn veterans are seated in our midst it gives greater dignity and importance to our Order and causes us to reverence her with a deeper and more holy reverence. If those bowed with years still retain a love for our honored Society, how enthusiastic, how earnest should we be to keep it in sacred trust, and to advance its interests. At our next meeting we will take a vote on the Convention question and will be ready to report in my next. Please send the name of the Secretary of the Oxford Chapter that we may know to whom to write.—*E. E. Boudinot, Wabash College, to A. P. Humphrey, Centre College, January* 7, 1866.

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We are prospering favorably with our chapter, considering the opposition with which we are obliged to contend.—*T. T. Fountain, University of Michigan, to T. M. Paschal, Centre College, January* 8, 1866.

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The Phis here, I fear, are going to run below where the law school ends. We have a nice chapter now . . . . Success attend you and the chapter you have planted.—*A. C. Mellette, Indiana University, to R. A. D. Wilbanks, University of Chicago, January* 10, 1866.



JOSEPH C. S. BLACKBURN,
Kentucky Alpha, '57,
U. S. Senator from Kentucky.



JAMES Z. GEORGE,
Mississippi Alpha, '44.
U. S. Senator from Mississippi.

Under the minutes of Indiana Alpha for January 11, 1866, is written the following: "This day four years ago, I joined the Φ Δ Θ Society, and here I have been since, with the select few who are permitted to seek protection behind the golden shield, and no one of whom I have ever feared to trust. As I grow in years, I grow in interest, and my love for the noble Fraternity. May she ever be as pure and spotless in the future as she has been in the past. With high hopes for her prosperity, and many regrets at our separation, I shall in a few weeks bid her farewell, and close my active membership, though I shall never cease to pray for her harmony and perpetuity. I am her obliged, though unworthy member, SID B. HATFIELD."

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What does Grand Master think of our Constitution? Is it not right and necessary that it should be the same at all chapters? This is not the case. We noticed that yours, a copy of which you sent to Michigan Alpha, was very different from ours. We have never had any such thing as By-Laws. We request that you send us a copy of yours.—*R. A. D. Wilbanks, University of Chicago to Kentucky Alpha, January* 14, 1866.

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I do not think that the letters "Φι —— —— Κια" disclose anything in our coat of arms. Being partially hidden behind the scroll upon which rests the helmet it is a most ingenious symbol of *secrecy*. You, I presume, are aware that the double-headed serpent, the scroll, the swords, the helmet, with visor down, the plumes, the laurel wreath, the inseparable chain, the shield and all-seeing eye speak the mystic language of our fraternal union. . . . . You speak of your early departure from classic shades. I infer that you are to graduate next commencement, and then seek your home in the Sunny South. Peace and prosperity attend you. I am not southern born, but my father was a native of the Old Palmetto State, and my relations live beyond the Mason and Dixon line. From my heart I have sympathized with a brave and brilliant but misguided people during the long night of gloom which has hovered around the South during the last five years. Do you go to Texas? If so, as a Phi, and as I know you only as such, let me ask that you look after the interests of our Fraternity in that section. I hope to see the day when every college of importance in the south will have a chapter of our Fraternity.—*R. A. D. Wilbanks, University of Chicago to T. M. Paschal, Centre College, January* 23, 1866.

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Our law term is out and I again receive the sheepskin and am now entitled to the A. B. and B. L., more titles than any honest man will be likely to make of use. All the boys of the Senior

department have gone home except myself, "and I alone am left to tell the story." I shall go to Connelton in a few days. I presented your request to the chapter, and the transfer was made and will accompany this. We leave but two members in the chapter, J. E. Kenton and G. M. Overstreet. Will Owen and Dupuy will be here again next term. I am well pleased with Kenton, but of Overstreet I do not know enough to speak, and can only say that he is a man of good sense. I also asked E. B. Hamilton what were the prospects for the Illinois Beta (Illinois College, Jacksonville, Ill.—W. B. P.) and what was its present condition. He says that at present the chapter is dead, and there is but one member there; that he will write and see what can be done. If you can do anything for it you had better do it. . . . . I this day received the Chicago *Home Circle*, containing a full report of your inaugural exercises which report indeed is very flattering, and in the name of our beloved Order, I thank you for the energy which resulted so nobly and well for the Fraternity, and recognize your spirit in it all. I cannot say that I am willing for you to cease your efforts for, although you have done more perhaps than any other member ever did, yet we cannot well dispense with your services By your leadership you have become almost essential to the existence of the Society.—*Sid. B. Hatfield, Bloomington, Ind., to R. A. D. Wilbanks, University of Chicago, February* 5, 1866.

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I thought of the interests of the Phi organization while I was discussing with myself whether I should come here or not. I had thought of the subject you propose oftentimes before I received your last. Suffice it to say that when I discover it to be expedient I will take the necessary steps for the establishment of a chapter here, and I will take pleasure in petitioning the "Illinois Alpha of the Phi Delta Theta" for a charter to rear in this Egyptian country a colony in the interests and under the banner of our one and the same common Brotherhood. . . . The card you enclose is a very neat thing. The "coat of arms" is beautiful I think, but is very little understood by me.—*Wm. H. Moore, McKendree College, to R. A. D. Wilbanks, University of Chicago, February* 6, 1866.

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I was elected a member about the first of January, and from that time until our law school closed I do not think I ever enjoyed myself better. Brothers Dupuy, Moore and Owen did not return after New Years, and their absence caused our chapter to be composed entirely of law students, and as the material for new members was very poor, we made no addition until just at the last. When it was found I would be left alone we

elected a Mr. Overstreet, and at this time he and I represent the Indiana Alpha. I am sorry to have things as they are but would rather have them thus than to elect those who are not worthy. I believe it is a motto of ours to have a "select few" to run the thing. We are watching one or two fellows pretty closely, and I think it very likely we will present the pledge to them soon. I hear that Dupuy and Owen will return next term, and if they do we will get along nicely. . . . . The Indiana University is at this time blessed or cursed rather by a new Greek Society called $\Delta\ \Psi\ \theta$, which has been organized since New Year's, by a student from Wabash College. They go mainly for numbers without regard to quality.—*J. E. Kenton, Indiana University, to R. A. D. Wilbanks, University of Chicago, February* 25, 1866.

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We labor under disadvantages. There are so many other standing societies—societies which have been long in operation, and which can have their pick from all the boys. Still I think we are flourishing finely. By next year we shall be in full running order. We sent Bro. Farwell to the late inaugural at Chicago and he gives a very good account of it.—*M. W. Harrington, University of Michigan to Kentucky Alpha, March* 15, 1866.

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Our chapter is doing as well as can be expected. Some weeks ago we enlisted a new man, Mr. Stephen C. Hall of the classical section of the Freshman Class. We were unfortunate in losing two of our men, Fountain and Farwell, both having gone home. Farwell may return next year. Otherwise we are succeeding well. Our essays have been interesting and beneficial; colloquies, ditto. We are about to engage a hall, situated in the business part of town, the third floor of a brick business house. Hope thus to be more able next year to compete with our opponents. . . . . Would it not be a good move to publish a new catalogue of our order? Is there to be a convention at Louisville in July?—*R. C. Story, University of Michigan to T. M. Paschal, Centre College, May* 27, 1866.

WEAR A BADGE.

It is a matter of frequent comment that a large proportion of fraternity men do not wear badges. That this fact arises out of the tendency among Grecians generally to buy very handsome and much bejewelled pins, or none at all, is unquestionable. This seems to me unfortunate. Especially is it so in a large Fraternity like Phi Delta Theta whose active members and alumni are

scattered through almost every town of every state in the Union, and many of whom certainly meet each other unknowingly every day of the year. A Fraternity man may be in a place far distant from any college or alumni chapter, and with his mind so occupied by business or other matters, that he is not thinking of meeting a brother. Under such circumstances, should he and the brother whom he may meet be without badges, it is entirely probable that they will part all unconscious of their fellowship in the Fraternity.

Of course it is highly gratifying to the young man in college to possess a pin which is the wonder and admiration of the young ladies of his acquaintance, but this should be an entirely secondary consideration. The majority of students, particularly in western colleges, are not so overburdened with filthy lucre, but that they can find a good place for every dollar which comes into their possession. Given an average chapter of fifteen men, and perhaps three out of the number will feel that they can invest from twenty to fifty dollars in a pin. The others, who cannot do so, but who could very easily afford eight or ten dollars for the purpose, rather than wear badges which will, as they think, be put out of countenance by the more splendid insignia of the wealthy men, will go without any.

The craze for elaborately jewelled crown setting pins is beneficial to the manufacturers and to no one else. It is even a question if the manufacturers would not derive more profit from the increased sales which would certainly result were a less expensive style of pin to be more generally worn.

Every fraternity man should strive to possess a pin, even though it be of the most modest description, and should not cease to wear it when he graduates from college. I do not know how it may be in other fraternities, but a Phi once is a Phi for life, and the feeling of brotherly love will be stronger and more lively in the hearts of our alumni if they are brought in frequent contact with their brothers both in and out of college.

Then let every Phi get such a badge as he can and wear it always. Pearls, rubies and emeralds, be they never so rare, and diamonds, be they never so dazzling, cannot add to the lustre of the Sword and Shield of Phi Delta Theta.

ROBT. T. MCELROY.

Hanover, Ind.

EDITORIAL.

THE SCROLL comes to its readers in this number as one of special interest to alumni members of the Fraternity. In support of this we have collected a number of interesting personals of graduate members, and if the reader will turn to that department he may find mention of some of the friends of his college days. In addition it has secured some illustrations that we are sure are not without interest. It is a fact pleasing to all Phis that we can number the President of the United States, and four members of the U. S. Senate, among our representatives at the National Capital, and they scarcely need a formal introduction to SCROLL readers. Their names have been familiar to chapters and alumni alike. We are pleased to have this opportunity, of presenting their likenesses, so that names and faces can be given a place side by side.

THIS number of the SCROLL will go into the hands of many Phis who are not regular subscribers and whom we seldom have the opportunity of greeting in this direct manner. If it awakens any pleasant recollections; if it affords a reflected pen picture of intimate associations once experienced within the active lines of the Fraternity; if it proves of any interest whatever in the reading of its pages, we feel amply repaid in knowing that it has done so. But we are not satisfied to have the matter end there. We should be glad to enroll many of you among our subscribers so that we can greet you every other month. To do this it will cost you one dollar for one year, or five dollars for ten years. We do not ask you to subscribe because the dollar is needed to keep the magazine going, for it it already a success and is bound to remain so; neither do we ask it because your subscription will by so much enrich the SCROLL management. What we are after is the awakening of your interest in your old Fraternity, which some time since leaving college you have smothered under the pursuits and burdens of business or professional life. We know that your nature will be rounded out and your life made a little richer in its sweet experiences if you will keep a place in the corner of your heart for the old Fraternity. The only way we know of to

awaken and maintain this interest is by getting you to read the SCROLL. If we could send it to you for nothing we should be glad to do so, but unfortunately such a plan is not possible, hampered as we are with printers' bills. We trust that you will not let the one almighty dollar stand between you and the Fraternity and that you will absolve us from all accusations of being mercenary in this most urgent invitation we give you to go on our subscription list.

ALUMNI DAY, February 18th, was a notable one in the Fraternity even though THE SCROLL accounts may not testify to its universal observance on the part of our Alumni chapters. The plan is still on the order of a new one, and it is naturally expected that there will have to be a little training before all arrive at a well matured understanding of the new order of affairs. Among the members of these alumni chapters there are not a few yet who do not understand that the Convention adopted a plan to have one day in the year observed as Alumni Day by all these organizations, and this day is always the third Wednesday in February. We have no doubt but that two or three years will find the plan better understood, and the Annual Alumni Day idea will bring forth excellent results in all those places where our alumni have vitality enough to demonstrate that they exist in some form or other. If the alumni are to have meetings isolated from one another by the lapse of much time, it is much better that the several chapters should hold these meetings on a common date. If meetings are held more frequently, it is only asked that one of these be appointed for Alumni Day. We know this, that we have heard a little more of our alumni chapters in the last two years, than before, and feel that we can predict for the Fraternity, that the day will increase in interest from year to year.

ACTING on a suggestion contained in the February SCROLL, several of the undergraduate chapters made the day an event in chapter life by wearing the white and blue, in its honor, and in the evening giving a party to close the day. The appearance of colors, without an initiate was the cause for much questioning as to the "why?" Rival chapters were interested to know what

should lead to the wearing of colors when there was no initiate to present. It afforded the chapters concerned no little pleasure to say that the day was one set apart for special exercises by our alumni chapters, and that in honor of the Alumni of the Fraternity, they were wearing the colors, and making it an occasion for special exercises with the undergraduates. We congratulate these chapters whose interest in the alumni was manifested in this loyal way.

THE QUESTIONS suggested by the General Council for discussion on Alumni Day were "(1) Pan Hellenism—locally and generally. (2) Our Extensive Policy. (3) The Indifferent Alumnus—Who is Responsible for Him?" An appetizing list, that furnished good themes for this Alumni "Round Table Talk." If any of the chapters found absolute ground on which they concluded to stand in regard to these questions, the SCROLL would be glad to have a full report of the same.

With the retirement of Editor Daniel from charge of the *Palm* of Alpha Tau Omega, we fear that the discussion on the line of Pan-Hellenism will not wax so warm as it has in the year just past. The *Supplement* which was reviewed with Exchanges in the February number, has gone in with the last issues of the magazines of Delta Upsilon, Delta Kappa Epsilon, Sigma Nu and Sigma Alpha Epsilon. Aside from this there has been little recent or new in Pan-Hellenic discussion. We have not yet heard whether there will be a successor to the *Supplement* just mentioned, but are inclined to think that the support it could command would be too meagre to meet printers' and engravers' bills. Those who inserted it, did so at the expense of departments of College, Fraternity and Exchange news, which we think the *Supplement* can not regularly replace, since each must be modified to meet the tastes of the particular fraternity for which it is published.

But though our friend Daniel may not be with us to send Pan-Hellenic skippers across the editorial waters, and the much mooted Congress (to be held in the Metropolitan Opera House; Alpha Tau Omega, with *Palm* banner plumb in the center, &c., &c.,) of all fraternities, alas, alas, is not to be for yet awhile, before the editorial irons of our confrerés are all in other fires,

THE SCROLL would again suggest that it would most heartily enter into arrangements looking forward to a meeting of Fraternity Editors. Such a meeting would have in it the power to bring about tangible good results. With editors in New York, Baltimore, Pittsburgh, Columbus, Cincinnati, Troy, Chicago, Nashville and Minneapolis, what more central point could be chosen than Columbus or Cincinnati? And before the Pan-Hellenic discussion closes we would like to bring forward the utterances of the SCROLL of January, 1887, on the subject. These paragraphs are from an editorial in that issue.

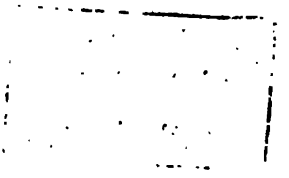
"This great object—that of bringing American college fraternities into closer communion—cannot be attained by conventions, meetings or resolutions, but is not the less easy of accomplishment. *It is the Chapter that can do it, and the Chapter only.* College graduates are ready to forget the fights of their undergraduate life and are only too willing to bring together the bonds of Grecian sympathy. It is in the chapter that the friction begins, and it is there, and not in the fraternity convention that we must look for the cultivation of Pan-Hellenism. The almost unavoidable tendency to misrepresent in rushing and spiking, the sacrifices to principle in running in this or that man, the bitter memories of defeat, are not circumstances calculated to increase the mutual esteem of fellow Greeks. If, as the pessimist claims, the evils of rushing, etc., must always exist, how can a Convention cure the harsh feelings engendered by them.

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Another potent agency in the cultivation of Pan-Hellenism, is the Fraternity organ and we believe it is aiding to maintain cordial relations between college fraternities. Fraternity journals in thus acting, have lost none of the rights of criticism, and yet they carry that criticism in a spirit of fairness which may result in disagreement, but never in abuse.

On the Chapter then depends the work of bringing into closer union the members of the Greek world. It is not a very difficult undertaking and when fraternity men find that by accomplishing it they will not only have added the names of many more good men on the fraternity rolls, but will also have kept from them those which should never have appeared thereon; they will realize that Pan-Hellenism will mean something, and that no Greek need fear to shake the hand of a brother Greek in fraternal greeting."

No one to-day can take exception to this excellent putting of





WILLIAM F. VILAS,
Wisconsin Alpha, '58,
U. S. Senator from Wisconsin.



JAMES B. ALLEN,
Indiana Beta, '67,
U. S. Senator from Washington.

the question as to where Pan-Hellenism begins and we regret that we cannot quote the entire editorial.

IN the list of initiates published in the SCROLL of last June, there appeared under the head of Massachusetts Beta, the name of Earnest Mason Bliss, Attleboro, Mass. Mr. Bliss is not and has never been a member of Phi Delta Theta, and the including of his name in the list was an error copied from the Amherst *Olio*. The same list omitted the name of Brother Robert Irving Walker, '93, Waverly, N. Y.

TO THE Missouri Gamma Chapter of Phi Delta Theta at Washington University, St. Louis, we extend the three-fold welcome of the National Fraternity. Welcome to the traditions and rites that are gathered about the altar of the Fraternity; welcome to the fellowship of those with whom she unites in fraternal vows; welcome to the hearts and love of Phis wherever and whenever she meets them.

We are just informed of the final favorable action upon this application and that the charter will be granted and the chapter installed the latter part of this month (March). As an account of this installation can not be given in this number, we will defer the full account of the charter movement and chapter establishment until our June issue. Suffice it to say here that its establishment is in every way in keeping with the wise policy voiced at the Bloomington Convention. The institution located at St. Louis, of excellent standing, and the men, sons of the first families of the city, are both acquisitions of which we can justly be proud. Again we say welcome into Phi Delta Theta.

IN AN editorial of the December SCROLL speaking of the attitude of $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$ on the "prep" question, we made the statement that the "prep" had neither "part nor parcel" in the present history of our Hillsdale chapter, beyond mere pledging. In referring to the statement of the *Rainbow* correspondent we did so to right Michigan Gamma rather than to question the good faith of his reports. This correspondent, Mr. Wm. B. Fite, in the January *Rainbow* deems that his veracity has been questioned, and vigorously disputes the facts claimed in our editorial, bringing

forward the catalogue of the college, published last fall, in which the names of four members of Φ Δ Θ appear in the preparatory lists, whom he states are members of '95 and '97. Notwithstanding this listing in the catalogue, which is accounted for by the fact that the men are behind in certain courses, which are balanced by other advance credits, these men are members of '93 and '94 with which classes they will graduate. We did not claim that the chapter had never initiated "preps," but that it did not make a present habit of doing so, and that its roll now shows no men below '94. We see the grounds on which our *Rainbow* friend made his statement, and we have not questioned his veracity or good faith, but without this explanation his statements would have been misleading. Since the Bloomington Convention the chapter has initiated but one genuine article in the "prep" line, and that, one who had been pledged and promised initiation before that Convention's decision, and we can safely assert that this will be the last "prep" name to adorn the roll of Michigan Gamma.

UNDER ordinary circumstances the Editor would feel it necessary to offer an apology for any attempt to put his own personal experiences into this department of the SCROLL, which should be limited to those discussions directly relating to the welfare of the Fraternity. But at this time such a personal recital gives a better opportunity to say a few things on the chapter house question that we deem will carry more weight in such a way than by the best put impersonal argument, and this fact is a sufficient reason for its appearance here.

Having occasion to make a brief visit to Ann Arbor, and consequently to enjoy the hospitality of Michigan Alpha, the Editor anticipated, with no little pleasure, making the acquaintance of the present members of the chapter which more than three years ago he had installed in the University, after a long period of quietude, and of observing the workings of the chapter house plan with them. In response to a cordial invitation from the chapter, that part of him known as his better half, accompanied him.

First to speak of the chapter. He found a royal enthusiastic body of Phi's; polished gentlemanly fellows; thorough as students, and well equipped in all the refinements that go to make

up well rounded sociable, affable men. Their hospitality took their guests by storm, and the happy, free and home-like manner that characterized all the men in their comings and goings about the house was a constant revelation to those who saw it for the first time. The Editor had thought that with his coming he might be able to bring advice on this or that question of fraternity policy; that he could make suggestions which would be of no little value to the chapter. Instead he felt himself as a recruit among veterans, and he found his a mission to learn rather than to teach. Few things have come to him in his fraternity experience with as much force as did those from observing the warm attachment which existed between every member of the chapter. There were no false standards in judging one another. Every one was judged by the manhood that was within him, and suffice it to say that none but words of praise were spoken.

The house has accommodations for nineteen men, and there are at present sixteen of the chapter living there. From the outside its appearance is somewhat plain, within it is quite different. From the reception hall we turn to the left into the parlor, prettily furnished with upholstered furniture in oak, every piece with "$\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$" carved in the wood. The room to the rear of this (a tete a tete room jutting from it) joins the music room immediately in the rear of the hall, and back of the music room is the large dining room with its large tiled fireplace and oak mantelpiece. The parlor is carpeted. In the other rooms the floors are finished for dancing, being covered here and there by rugs. All these rooms can be thrown together, making the best of quarters for entertaining company and giving a hop, as was proven this Friday evening. The rooms on the second floor are all *en suite*. That the chapter house has been a great help not only in the campaign for men, for in this it is indispensible, but in binding the men more closely together in fraternity life, and giving them enjoyments not otherwise attainable, there is no question whatever. There are all the comforts of home, for the entire house is at their disposal. The music room is a favorite place; and there is scarcely a day but what immediately following the evening dinner the boys gather about the piano for their college and fraternity songs. With guitars and banjos they muster quite an orchestra too. They all seem to appreciate what a harmonizer the

child of the Muses is, and chapter life without music, would be to them as food without flavor. The rules of the house, while unwritten, are well understood, and a pride is taken in maintaining the good order of the "home."

Do any question the desirability of a chapter house, and if not, do they wonder how they can get into one?

Michigan Alpha, without alumni help even, has solved the question in a very satisfactory way, and she has only done what almost a dozen others in the Fraternity have done. The chapter rents the house. A family of four members is employed at very reasonable terms to take care of it and to furnishing the dining service, the family having rooms in the house. The financial outlay was in furnishing the building, but this once accomplished the cost of living in the house will be little more to each individual than it would be if he were ensconced in as pleasant rooms rented hap-hazard here and there, while besides his own room there are the privileges and comforts of the entire house at his disposal.

Until the solution of the purchase of a home is reached we urge that our chapters let no opportunities go by to establish themselves in rented property. Such homes will bring pleasures and comforts. Renting them will cost no more than renting rooms equally pleasant, elsewhere, and all furniture and improvements of that nature will not be less permanent or lasting because used in a rented house. Once established thus, we know that the realization of chapter house life will kindle greater enthusiasm on the subject of a home to be bona fide chapter property, and will hasten rather than retard such purchase.

"THIS day four years ago I joined the Φ Δ Θ society and here I have been since, with the select few who are permitted to seek protection behind the golden shield, and no one of whom I have ever feared to trust. As I grow in years, I grow in interest and my love for the noble Fraternity. May she ever be as pure and spotless in the future as she has been in the past. With high hopes for her prosperity, and many regrets at our separation, I shall in a few weeks bid her farewell, and close my active membership, though I shall never cease to pray for her harmony and

her perpetuity. I am her obliged, though unworthy member, Sid. B. Hatfield."

So wrote Sidney B. Hatfield, Indiana Alpha, 1866, at the close of his college course, twenty-five years ago, and his is one of the earliest tributes to $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$ that we have seen. The publication of this among the other papers of "OLD FRATERNITY RECORDS" has brought it to our notice, and it well deserves repetition here. Can we not confidently say that the hopes and prayers of our brother have found realization?

NOT MANY years ago the fashion among fraternities was for large-sized badges with plain jewel settings; and among the graduates of ten years back you will find any number of these; a few entrusted to wives or sweet friends; a few pinned on vests away back under the protecting breast of a coat; the majority laid away in the old trinket box in the dresser. Of late years the demand has been for a smaller badge, and as the size has decreased, so the jewel settings have been made richer. The average cost of badges purchased by Phis now is considerably above what it used to be, and while on the whole our members now are better able to buy these than they were when the old styles were worn, yet the matter of expense in some quarters may be a serious drawback to a member's making a purchase when he sees the rich jewels of those about him. But a badge is the jewel of a life-time, a thing to be worn long, perhaps in later years by "ye laidye faire," and if one can consistently make the expense, we do not see why he should not pride himself in its beauty. But there is a demand for something that will look well besides these expensive badges, and at the same time be within easy reach of those whose purses are limited. Not only do our small-sized regular badges come under this head, but there is also the "badge scarf-pin" now being made by our jewelers. These are of diminutive size, but make a distinctive badge, and are pretty in finish. We recommend them as a secondary badge among the chapters, and more especially urge their use among the alumni. They are unobtrusive and useful. They are an easily recognized symbol among Phis. They are cheap enough as to be easily accessible by all of us.

CHAPTER CORRESPONDENCE.

ALPHA PROVINCE.

MAINE ALPHA, COLBY UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter to the SCROLL we have received several of the annual chapter letters and are pleased to note the generally prosperous condition of Phi Delta Theta in the different colleges. We congratulate you, brother Phis, on your success and may our banner of white and blue ever wave with triumph and honor.

We are glad too that we can report ourselves in a prosperous condition. Bro. Campbell, '91, is Managing Editor ofthe *Echo* and Bro. Morse, '91, of the *Oracle* and they are proving themselves capable men for such positions. Bro. Pierce, '92, had the honor of a Junior Part at the Senior Exhibition which was held at the close of last term.

Fourteen Juniors were "cut out" of the examination in Mechanics last term but there were *no Phis* among the number. Bro. Clark, '94, who was laid up for some time with a sprained ankle has recovered and we welcome him back to our fellowship. Bro. Leavitt, '94, was obliged to leave college this term on account of ill health. We are sorry to lose such a loyal brother from our number and hope he may be able to rejoin us. Bro. Johnson, '92, has just completed a successful term of school at Ilseboro and rejoined his class. Bro. Chas. Carroll, '85, is one of the prominent lawyers of Houlton, Me. Bro. O. W. B. Farr, formerly of '92, is expected home on a furlough from West Point in June, and we hope to have him visit us, and we should be pleased to welcome any Phis to our hall. Don't fail to call on us if you come this way. Yours in $\Phi\iota$—$\chi\varepsilon\iota\alpha$,

ALBERT G. HURD.

Waterville, March 7, 1891.

NEW HAMPSHIRE ALPHA, DARTMOUTH COLLEGE.

The winter term is usually productive of good results to our chapter, as naturally much more time is then allotted to society work, than at other seasons of the college year. We are pleased to say that this term, now nearly completed, has not proved an exception to the rule, but has been a most enjoyable one in every way. Our literary meetings, occurring each week, have been very successful, resulting from an earnest effort on the part of all, striving to make them as beneficial as possible. Another feature of great satisfaction to us, is the improvement we have made in sociability. Many a happy hour and evening has been

spent in social gatherings, so that we have learned to love and frequent our society rooms as never before.

It was of much regret to us that we could not have more of our Alumni Brothers with us to celebrate Alumni Day. At our exercises in commemoration of the day, Bro. G. F. Sparhawk, '89, made an interesting address which was much enjoyed by all. The program of the evening closed with a spread, which made an agreeable finis to a very pleasant time.

At the Y. M. C. A. Convention held at Williams College during the first part of the term, Bros. Kibbey, '91, and Salls, '93, President and Secretary respectively of the Dartmouth Association, were cordially entertained by Massachusetts Alpha; and upon their return gave us an interesting account of their reception and the prosperity of our sister chapter.

The College athletic teams are now in active training in preparation for the Spring campaign. We have five men in training, whom we hope will be among the number chosen to represent Dartmouth in the New England Inter-Collegiate Athletic Meet, to be held at Springfield during next May. We also have our share of honors in the other departments. Bro. Gould, '92, is Treasurer of the Lecture Association and Bro. Bartlett, '94, is an Assistant Editor on the staff of *The Dartmouth*. Bro. Pattridge, '92, represents us on the *Aegis*, the Junior Annual which will soon be out. At the elections of the Senior Class, Bro. Kibbey was chosen Class Orator and Bro. Rowe was given the "Campus Address."

At present our members are much interested in a Billiard Tournament that is taking place in our rooms. Considerable speculation is indulged in as to who will be the lucky winners of the prizes. During this term all the societies in College hold Prize Speaking Contests, and usually much entertainment and profit is derived from them. Our contest takes place in a short time.

This term closes on April 1st, followed by a vacation of one week. With best wishes for the prosperity of all Phis.

Yours in the Bond,

CHAS. B. GORDON.

Hanover, March 7, 1891.

VERMONT ALPHA, THE UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT.

But few things of especial interest have transpired since our last letter. The society meetings which are held Saturday evenings, are very well attended and the fellows take great interest in the literary work we do. For several years the literary work has been carried on by choosing sides; one side presenting the programme at one meeting and the other at the next. The presi-

dent marks each piece on its merits and at the end of the term the defeated side gives a "spread" to the chapter. A friendly rivalry is thus aroused which makes us all take more interest in our literary programmes.

The candidates for the 'Varsity base ball team began practice in the "cage" the middle of Feb. and went to the training-table March 2. This season's team will be by far the strongest one that our University has ever put into the field. All of our last year's club are back and are strengthened by the addition of O'Connor and Kinsella, one of the best college batteries in New England. We are represented upon the nine by Bros. Stewart, Allen, Hogle and Cheney. Games have already been arranged with Harvard, Yale, Univ. of Michigan, Dartmouth, Williams, Trinity and Tufts.

This winter, for the first time in many years, the college has had a Banjo and Glee Club. This organization has given concerts in the leading towns of our state, and has everywhere met with a warm reception. Seven Phis are upon the club and much of its success is due to Bros. Avery and Bosworth; the former of whom is the leader and the latter the manager.

At the recent election of *Cynic* editors, Bro. Mower, '92, was chosen Editor-in-Chief and Bros. Lewis, Stewart and Kilbourne as Associate Editors. The *Ariel*, the Junior publication of which Bro. Mower, '92, is Editor-in-Chief, and Bro. Lewis, Associate Editor, will appear in about a month and we should be pleased to send a copy to any of the chapters that would like to exchange with us.

Three new buildings will be erected upon the campus this spring. One will be used as a dormitory, while the others will be fitted up with mechanical and electrical apparatus, in order that better instruction may be given in those branches. Bro. George Forbes, '90, has entered the Medical College. We are glad to have him with us again, as he has always been an earnest Phi and a hard worker in the chapter.

Since writing our last letter we have had visits from Bros. Leavenworth, '85 and Stratton, '89. It is needless to say that we were very glad to see them. There is nothing that tends to encourage the active members like a visit from the alumni.

We are anxiously waiting for the April SCROLL, which is to be an unusually interesting number. Yours in $\Phi\iota$—$\chi\varepsilon\iota\alpha$,

T. C. CHENEY.

Burlington, March 7, '91.

Massachusetts Beta, Amherst College.

Fraternity membership at Amherst is divided as follows—(societies in the order of their establishment)—*Δ Δ Φ*, 36; *Ψ Υ*, 38; *Δ K E*, 34; *Δ Υ*, 31; *X Ψ*, 18; *X Φ*, 33; *B θ Π*, 32; *θ Δ X*, 34; *Φ Δ θ*, 27—leaving 69 "Oudens."

Amherst College is feeling the invigoration of a new President and her prospects were never better. New buildings and improved facilities are promised in some departments. Early in the present term the second drawing for *Φ B K* from '91 was announced and Massachusetts Beta added three to her list of honored members. This gives us four of the sixteen drawn from '91. The first drawing from '92 takes place in the Spring term.

The one event to break the monotony of college work this term was a Mock Trial, held March 6, in which the destined legal peers of the land showed no mean ability. The affair was conducted wholly by the students and was for the benefit of the Base Ball Association. Financially, also, the trial was a grand success.

A statement in my last letter, through the omission of an important word, either by carelessness of the writer or error of the proof reader, was rendered meaningless. The item was intended to note the wedding of Bro. E. H. Parkman, '89, the first of our alumni, excepting Bro. Sawayama, (who was married in Japan), to take this bold step. The ceremony took place Dec. 23, 1890, in the Congregational Church at Belchertown. The officiating clergyman was an Amherst alumnus, and of the ushers, two were Phis. Bro. Parkman is Principal of the High School, Thompsonville, Conn.

We were recently favored by a call from Bro. Manning, Kansas Alpha, '89, an enthusiastic musician, now at the Boston Conservatory.

Members of Massachusetts Beta adopted the Scroll's suggestion and wore their colors on Alumni Day.

Howard A. Lincoln.

Amherst, March 7, 1891.

New York Alpha, Cornell University.

The past term has been of especial importance socially to the Cornell chapter. The annual Glee-Banjo-Mandolin Club Concert occurred on the evening of Jan. 29th. We were represented by four men. The Junior Ball, an account of which is given elsewhere, took place the next evening and we gave our guests a one o'clock luncheon the following day. With music and dancing the afternoon was passed very pleasantly. On the evening

of Feb. 3d, Prof. and Mrs. Bailey gave us a most enjoyable reception at their home on the campus.

Several of the members attended the Annual Banquet of N. Y. Epsilon and were entertained in a most hospitable manner at their new home. We sent a delegation to their reception last week. It was a brilliant affair and words fail us when we attempt to portray the charm and beauty of their lady friends.

The Sophomore class has decided to hold a Cotillion Commencement week. It will be an innovation and promises to be a success. One of our members is chairman of the committee.

The Trustees, at a recent meeting voted an appropriation of $100,000 for a Law School building and $20,000 for a gymnasium annex. Tuition in the literary courses was reduced to $100 per annum. Ex-Pres. White has made a very generous offer and an Alumni Hall is one of the probabilities of the near future.

The Law Fraternity has been established here and has rented a house centrally located.

W. S. GILBERT.

Ithaca, March 9, 1891.

NEW YORK BETA, UNION COLLEGE.

New York Beta has prospered, and one more name has been added to her roll since our last communication to the SCROLL. It is that of Bro. F. J. Wagner, who entered the Freshman Class at the opening of the winter term. Bro. Wightman, '94, however left at the same time to teach at North Hosic, N. Y. So the roll of active members remains the same. We adopted at the beginning of this term the method suggested by Vermont Alpha at the Convention last Oct. It is that of choosing sides and furnishing literary exercises alternately. The result has been that we have had more and better literary exercises than at any time since any of the present active members' connection with the chapter.

The following Phi's have registered for prizes at Union: Bro. Briggs, '91, for the Ingham and Allen essay prizes; Bro. Reddish, '92, for the Clark essay and Junior oratorical; Bro. Dougal, '92, for the Clark essay; and Bros. Multer, '94, and Lawton, '93, for the Veeder extemporaneous.

On the evening of Feb. 13, Ψ Υ gave a "stag" party at their rooms on State street. Three men from each of the fraternities were invited and a very enjoyable evening was passed. Bros. Briggs, Reddish and Gillespie represented New York Beta. This was followed by a reception given by Σ Φ on the 18th of the same month. This was a somewhat larger gathering than that given by Ψ Υ. Bros. Briggs, Reddish, Hart and Gillespie attended.

The object of these gatherings is to promote social intercourse among different fraternity men and do away, as far as possible, with fraternity rivalry.

Bros. Reddish and Gillespie attended the reception given by New York Epsilon in their new chapter house at Syracuse, March 6th.

We receive frequent visits from Bros. Winne, '88, and Brown, '90. They seem to take much pleasure in visiting the "familiar scenes,' of their college days.

The opera "Pinafore" was given on the evenings of Feb. 5th and 6th, by the students for the benefit of the base-ball association. Four Phi's took part in the opera. Bro. Gillespie took one of the leading cast parts and received many well-deserved compliments.

Yours in the Bond,

H. W. BRIGGS.

Schenectady, March 9, 1891.

PENNSYLVANIA DELTA, ALLEGHENY COLLEGE.

Several things of interest to the fraternity world have occurred since our last letter. At the beginning of the winter term the college was surprised by the swinging out of a new ladies' fraternity. Delta chapter of Alpha Chi Omega was instituted by Miss Libbie Price of De Pauw and Miss Mary J. Satterfield of Northwestern. The chapter was founded in the Conservatory of Music and initiates only students of music. The new society numbered nine charter members and they have since pledged one. The colors are white, green and scarlet, and the pin is a golden harp with the letters Λ X Ω on an enameled ribbon. The fraternity has chapters at De Pauw, Northwestern and Albion College, Michigan. We are glad to welcome the new-comer.

The total number of fraternities now represented here is nine, including the Sophomore society, Theta Nu Epsilon.

The local chapter of Phi Kappa Psi surprised fraternity circles at the beginning of the term by initiating a member of Delta Tau Delta. This is the first case of lifting which has occurred here for a number of years and is very much discountenanced by other chapters.

On the evening of February 13th Kappa Kappa Gamma celebrated her third anniversary by giving a reception to the fraternities, faculty and others. The reception was held in the Rho's club rooms down town and was a brilliant and successful event. The ladies of the chapter ably sustained their reputation as excellent entertainers.

We recently enjoyed visits from Bro. Ralph B. Reitz, '89, and Bro. Frank M. Kerr, '88. Bro. Kerr will occupy the pulpit of

the Presbyterian Church at Chester, N. J., the coming year. We wish we could express the pleasure with which we greet our alumni. Any alumnus of Pennsylvania Delta or of any other chapter may always be sure of a hearty welcome. We want to urge as many as possible to be present at our Commencement banquet which will be held June 24th. Preparations are being made to make it even a greater success than our former ones.

Bro. W. A. Elliott, '89, represented our chapter at the Pennsylvania Alpha Alumni banquet at Pittsburg. He reports a very pleasant and profitable time. Seven of our alumni were present.

At the recent reorganization of the Athletic Association, Bro. F. W. Black was elected President and Bro. Sisley, Treasurer. The association promises to be much more of a success than ever before as it has hearty encouragement both from the faculty and students.

The faculty have chosen ten to represent the Senior class Commencement day. Phi Kappa Psi has one out of a possible six; Phi Gamma Delta, one of a possible two: Delta Tau Delta, none of a possible one; Sigma Alpha Epsilon, two of a possible six; Kappa Alpha Theta, one of a possible one; Kappa Kappa Gamma, one of a possible three; Phi Delta Theta, three of a possible four, and the non-fraternity seniors have one representative. Again Phi Delta Theta has scored a victory, which is all the more valuable since these honors could not be secured by wire pulling, but are given by the faculty as an evidence of merit. Our representatives are Bros. Whitfield, Couse and Ross. The last two brothers also have the positions of Historian and Valedictorian class-day.

Mu chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta recently met with quite a serious pecuniary loss. By the bursting of a steam pipe in their rooms, which are situated on the fourth floor of Hulings Hall, much of the drapery and furniture was ruined. The ladies are preparing to fit up new rooms and as a token of regard, our chapter has presented them with thirty dollars.

We are glad to learn that Bro. J. A. Vance, an alumnus of this chapter has been chosen orator for the Atlanta Convention. From personal acquaintance, we are sure that a better man could not have been selected.

Again we send a hearty greeting to our sister chapters and wish them as much success as we have been attended with.

Yours in the Bond,

CLARENCE ROSS.

Meadville, March 10, 1891.

PENNSYLVANIA EPSILON, DICKINSON COLLEGE.

Pennsylvania Epsilon has had, so far, a very peaceful, prosperous year. Our meetings have been very enjoyable and regularly attended, and having a faithful, hard working man in charge of literary exercises, these have been a great feature. We have been using the new ritual this year and like it very much, the only objection being its seemingly unnecessary length.

Since our last letter Bro. Cleaver has been elected Historian of his class, and Bros. Neal and Fasick have been chosen representatives of the Union Philosophical Society in the inter-society debate. Bro. Stephens this year is our only representative on the glee and banjo clubs which have been giving quite a number of concerts and meeting with great success, musically and financially.

The standard of Dickinson has been steadily raised, until today there are few, if any colleges, that require so much work in the regular collegiate courses, and few in which more or better work is done. And in this advancement $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$ has kept well to the front, for the standard of scholarship among us is high and is always considered in our "spiking."

We have received a number of circular letters and all speak glowingly of present and future prospects of $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$, while giving a very interesting account of the year's doings in the different chapters. These circular letters are certainly a great factor in fraternity life; reminding us that $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$ extends from Maine to Texas and from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and that everywhere we are brothers, having a common aim and pressing on, not unsuccessfully, to one goal.

And reminding some of us, that for us they are the last; that not again shall we, as active members, receive these circular letters; reminding us of the close proximity of that time when we shall bid farewell to the old hall and the brothers dear to us through all our college days.

Fortunate are they who, like us, have a noble band of loyal alumni, inspiring us with the thought that, though our active connection with $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$ may cease, the principles learned around her altar can never be forgotten, and the love for the Fraternity and our brethren which now glows in our hearts will never grow cold.

Yours in the Bond,

W. W. LANDIS.

Carlisle, March 5, 1891.

PENNSYLVANIA ZETA, UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA.

The annual letter has about taken the wind out of the sails of the April letter to the SCROLL, since the one must follow so soon upon the other. However, there are yet several things which may be of interest to our sister chapters, and we will not be so selfish as to keep them to ourselves. We had a decidedly pleasant meeting at the chapter house on Saturday evening last. It was the occasion of the initiation of Henry Paul Busch, '93, college, in whom we feel sure that we have obtained a fine fellow, socially as well as in scholarship. As some of the active chapter were detained, owing to press of work in preparing for spring exams., we were delighted to welcome a host of alumni from various chapters in the State. Besides Bros. Jack Horner and Milton Fehnel, who are old friends, there were present Bros. Wm. Bignell (Pa. Delta), Oliver Mordorf, W. E. Marten, and Bro. Roberts (Pa. Epsilon), the majority of whom are residing in Philadelphia. After the initiation ceremonies, which we try to make as exhilarating as possible, each of the visiting alumni made a short address, speaking of the pleasure it gave him to meet so many brother Phis, and especially to take part in an initiation. A light collation and some singing ended a most enjoyable occasion, which was prolonged well toward Sunday morning. We extend to our visiting brethren a hearty invitation to come again, and at the same time renew our invitation to all others to drop in upon us any Saturday evening.

There is one thing of which we feel especially proud. We have had made by a prominent decorating firm in the city a sword and shield, copied to the smallest detail after the Fraternity pin. It is made of wood, beautifully carved and gilded, with large, glass jewels, imitating an alternate arrangement of rubies and pearls. The shield stands nearly three feet high, and the sword four. By an arrangement on the back of the shield, the sword can be attached behind, and in this position they are suspended above our parlor mantel, and have elicited many expressions of admiration from our visitors. In fact, we feel sure that we have the finest emblem of its kind in the Fraternity. A large group of the active chapter was photographed last week, and the badge occupied a prominent position alongside our William Goat.

As was told in the annual letter, we are endeavoring to obtain a larger chapter house near the University. The majority of the men would prefer to build, so that it might be made after our own plans and more suited to our purpose. But land is quite expensive in the neighborhood, and the building would be of necessity stone. as the city authorities will not permit a frame

house to be erected within its limits. Consequently this plan would require a large amount of money or result in heavy mortgages. So we will not undertake anything definite without the advice of the alumni in the city.

The midwinter examinations have come and gone since our last letter, but as the University has abolished the entire system of grading, no honors are given. All the Phis, however, passed well in the examinations, some with "distinction."

The University Glee Club, three of whom are Phis, held its first concert, in connection with the Banjo Club, on the 28th of February, and it was a decided success financially, as well as artistically and socially.

Our prospects for a base-ball team seem as bright as last year's. If the 1891 team can show as fine a record at the close of the season as that of 1890—one defeat (by Yale, 6–5) out of twenty-two amateur games—we may be well satisfied. In other respects the athletic outlook is good, and the University ought certainly to win the cup at the Inter-state sports in the coming season, as well as retain her acknowledged supremacy in cricket.

As we write, the letters are coming in gradually from the different chapters, and show a continued prosperity of the Fraternity at large, and an active interest in all parts of the country. We also learn with pleasure of the conservative action of the Grand Council upon the application for new charters. We can well afford to wait and establish chapters in but the best institutions, and in the meantime continue to devote our attention towards strengthening our present ranks.

Yours in the Bond,

EDWARD A. SHUMWAY.

Philadelphia, March 9, 1891.

PENNSYLVANIA ETA, LEHIGH UNIVERSITY.

The evening of Feb. 21st was the occasion of the initiation of Bro. Walter Jules Douglas, making the fifth accession from the class of '94 and the fourth from the city of Washington. Whether or not the abundance of Phi material from Washington has been due to Presidental influence, we will not hazard an opinion.

The invited guests at Bro. Douglas' initiation were Bro. President Randolph, Bro. Fehnel and Bro. Patterson. The exercises of the initiation were gone through with, with an enthusiasm which I doubt if our "baby initiate" thoroughly appreciated.

The Lafayette College mid-winter sports were held on the evening of Feb. 27th, and of the fifteen events open to Lehigh, we captured eleven first prizes. Bro. Curtis took first in the one and two mile runs. Bro. Coates took first in the mile walk and Bro. Mathewson the first prize in club swinging.

Bro. Blickle has been elected a member of the Sophomore Cremation Committee. Bro. Coates has been re-elected Vice President of the General Inter-collegiate Athlectic Association. Bro. Warner who left last year is now studying at Stevens.

We are looking forward to a very successful season both in base ball and lacrosse under the management of Brothers Coates and Eavenson.

The musical organizations are working hard with a view of taking some trips after the Easter vacation.

We hope that any Phis who may happen to come this way will honor us with a visit.

Yours in the Bond,

H. W. DUBOIS.

Bethlehem, March 8, 1890.

BETA PROVINCE.

VIRGINIA ALPHA, ROANOKE COLLEGE.

Nothing of very great interest has occurred in the fraternity world of Virginia Alpha since our last letter to the SCROLL. The intermediate examinations are over and we are happy. The high grades that our brother Phis made attest their standing in the College. We have always taken our share of the College honors and will continue to do so. Bro. Frantz was elected one of the debaters on the Ciceronian Literary Society Celebration, which took place on the 20th of Feb. Bro. Stickley was appointed chairman of the Committee on Arrangements of the Ticket.

Since our last report we have added another loyal Phi to our ranks. On the evening of January 19th we assembled in our hall with several alumni and duly initiated C. N. Hoover into the mysteries of $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$. After the "goat" had performed his duty, and the candidate, been dubbed a brother in the Bond, the debris was cleared away, and a "set up" was ordered which of course was enjoyed by all. This brother is the last of the three new members this session, and they have proved themselves worthy to wear the sword and shield.

The Phi Gamma Deltas gave a banquet at the Hotel Lucerne, on the evening of the 19th of Feb. Bro. J. W. Sieg represented the "white and blue" on that happy occasion. We are on the best of terms with the other fraternities and nothing but friendly rivalry exists between us. The numerical strength of each is as follows: Phi Gamma Delta, 9; Alpha Tau Omega, 8; Sigma Chi, 1; and Phi Delta Theta, 9.

We are always glad to get the SCROLL. The reporter is often met with the query, "When will the SCROLL be out?" Virginia

Alpha extends her congratulations to the able editor of the best fraternity journal in the land.

The circular letters are beginning to come in, and they show the prosperity and strength of our Fraternity. We have the largest Greek Letter Society in the United States, and are proud to wear the sword and shield.

Yours in the Bond,

J. L. FRANTZ.

Salem, March 3, 1891.

KENTUCKY ALPHA, CENTRE COLLEGE.

Our chapter is in better working order than at any time since September. We have adopted the new ritual and the result has been very pleasing. It has created in us a new interest in chapter meetings and has made us realize more forcibly than ever before what a grand Fraternity is $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$.

Not long since Bros. Kenny and Bayliss of Kentucky Delta were with us, and not only did we enjoy their visit, but we were really benefited by the zeal and interest manifested by them. Dr. J. M. Worrall, formerly of New York now occupies the chair of Metaphysics in this college. He is an enthusiastic Ph and was president of the alumni chapter in New York. He has promised to favor us with his presence in chapter meetings. The Boyle-Humphrey Gymnasium is about finished. It is a handsome thirteen thousand dollar building. Saint John Boyle and Judge Alex. Humphrey are both Phis.

The preliminary contest between the Chamberlain and Dinalogian Societies was held on Monday night, Feb. 23d. Mr. Wilson the successful candidate is in every sense worthy the place and we believe Centre will make the boys hustle on the Inter-collegiate Contest.

Our President has spent much time and labor in arranging for commencement and he says it will be the grandest in the history of the college. Two of our brothers, much to our regret, have been compelled to quit college, which leaves us with only eleven men. Our prospects for the future, however, are bright. We lose only one man by graduation, which will enable us to begin next year with ten good men. We heartily agree with the ruling of the Fraternity in regard to "Preps," but have nevertheless been greatly tempted this year as some of the best material entered the preparatory and it is often hard to pledge them when the other frats will take them in immediately. With best wishes, I am yours in the Bond,

J. E. WISEMAN.

Danville, March 7, 1891.

KENTUCKY DELTA, CENTRAL UNIVERSITY.

We have nothing of especial importance to communicate to this issue of the SCROLL. Since our last letter the chapter has been moving along steadily, the men becoming better acquainted with fraternity work.

Some of the boys have recently visited the Kentucky Alpha boys at Centre College and report a splendid time. We are expecting them to visit us this spring. These visits between the chapters are always very pleasant and profitable, tending to cement a closer bond of union between the members and illustrate one of the many advantages and pleasures arising from being members of a great and noble Fraternity. For in almost every city or college town we invariably find Phis and when thrown with them we, of course, feel at home.

The Anti-Fraternity organization that cut such a figure in college affairs last fall has fallen into a state of "innocuous desuetude," and the literary societies which were somewhat injured by the split between non-frats and Greeks are enjoying their former prosperity. The declaimers' contest of Sophomore and Freshman classes comes off in April and we are almost sure that Φ Δ Θ will be worthily represented. We have been fortunate in obtaining two more copies of the song book and also some of the Φ Δ Θ marches.

We think the marches are quite pretty and intend obtaining more of the various copies of Φ Δ Θ marches and waltzes. They are played to us by some of our many Phi girl friends. Our chapter has lately been presented with a very handsome coat-of-arms, enlarged from the Dreka engraving. This is the second coat-of-arms crayoned for us this year by our Phi friends. These young ladies are almost as enthusiastic over the Fraternity and its welfare as the members themselves. They always entertain us most elegantly and frequently send to our hall delicacies in the shape of cake, candies and fruit. We are justly proud of these worthy representatives of Kentucky's beauties and find in them true and loyal friends who take pride in wearing the white and blue.

We have received many of the annual circular letters and note with pleasure the welfare and progress of the Fraternity. We have failed to obtain the P. O. address of many of our alumni and take this opportunity to ask them to write to us and we will forward a copy of our chapter circular.

No Phi should come to Kentucky without paying us a visit. Don't slight us. We will insure a hearty welcome.

M. H. GUERRANT.

Richmond, March 9, 1891.

GAMMA PROVINCE.

GEORGIA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA.

Georgia Alpha is glad to present to the members of the Fraternity her record of undiminished success and the era of prosperity which the year 1891 has ushered in. Very few new students entered the University at the beginning of the New Year's work, but of those that did enter, Georgia Alpha has initiated Bro. Dunlap of Gainesville, Ga., who gives promise of being an enthusiastic fraternity man. Bros. Cassels and Shepherd did not return after Christmas, which was a source of great disappointment and sorrow to the members. Bro. Cassels father died and he could not return and Bro. Shepherd was detained by business, but we hope to see them both next year. The last meeting was one long to be remembered by the chapter for on that occasion Bro. T. W. Reed was presented with a handsome badge by the members, in recognition of his long and valiant service for Georgia Alpha. He thanked the members in a well timed speech, and afterwards refreshments were served, which of course gave additional pleasure to the evening. Bro. Walker King, as announced in our last letter was elected anniversarian of the Demosthenian Society which task, he will perform on Feb. 19th, and we will no doubt be treated to a chaste and elegant oration for he has established an enviable reputation as an orator. There has been some movement in the direction of publishing a *Pandora* but it does not seem to have assumed definite shape. The University is in a very prosperous condition and has acquired new energy under the new regime.

A fine ball field and drill ground has been graded and everyone looks forward with interest to "Field day." The Cadet Corps has been armed with new guns and we expect to see some fine drilling before Commencement. We have only seventeen men as we lost two by their not returning, but Georgia Alpha is as prosperous as can be and hopes that all her sister chapters are enjoying the same.

ANTON POPE WRIGHT.

Athens, Feb. 1, 1891.

TENNESSEE ALPHA, VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY.

For the past two months fraternity matters at Vanderbilt have been very quiet. During the month of January the attention of all was absorbed with examinations. With the new term, beginning February 1st, came no desirable material from which to select members for Tennessee Alpha, so we have had none of the busy

time this term that always comes during spiking season. Though undisturbed at present by the rush for new members, Tennessee Alpha has not settled down into a state of inactivity. On the contrary, she is thoroughly alive to her true interests, and is endeavoring to further the cause of Phi Delta Theta at Vanderbilt. The members of Tennessee Alpha fully realize that it is around the chapter fireside that the truest ties and closest bonds of friendship are formed; and appreciating, moreover, the fact that these bonds will grow stronger, that these ties will be more lasting, when we have a fireside of our own around which to gather, Tennessee Alpha is now making vigorous efforts to procure a chapter house. Our progress in that direction seems slow, still we are making some advancement all the while. A chapter house must be had, no matter how much labor it may cost to get it. Bros. W. B. Palmer and W. R. Manier, of the city, are helping most willingly. Indeed, if we have a chapter house it will be due to their untiring efforts.

Instead of the usual meeting February 7th, the chapter was given a most delightful reception at the residence of Bro. Elliston Farrell, on the occasion of his twenty-first birth-day.

The Tennessee Inter-collegiate Oratorical Association has been disbanded. In its place an Inter-state Oratorical Association has been organized by the following colleges: University of Virginia, Vanderbilt, Sewanee, University of North Carolina, University of South Carolina, and Washington and Lee. The first contest takes place at the University of Virginia, on May 20th. The second meeting is to be held at Vanderbilt.

PAUL M. JONES.

Nashville, March 6, 1891.

ALABAMA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA.

Since our last letter to the SCROLL we have initiated two men, Bros. H. M. King, Jr., '93, of Evergreen, Ala., and R. R. Saffold, '93, of Selma, Ala., both men of superior worth, and it is with the greatest pleasure that we introduce them to the Phi world at large.

We are represented this year in the Sophomore Exhibition by the following speakers: Bros. Ball, Bankhead, Morrow, Rockett and Walker; and in the Junior Exhibition by Bro. Forney.

A monthly, bearing the name of *The Journal* is now published at the university, being run in the interest of the whole university; it is very desirable that it may continue to thrive.

As we are in the midst of our second term examinations, we will not fill much space in the SCROLL this month. With brother-

ly love and many wishes for Phi Delta Theta's success, we greet our sister chapters. Yours in the Bond of $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$,

C. A. STILLMAN, JR.

Tuskaloosa, March 6, 1891.

ALABAMA BETA, ALABAMA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE.

We have been deficient this year in sending letters to the SCROLL, but the blame rests upon the correspondent alone, and he is sorry that it has been thus. This fact is no sign that we are behind in any way, for this has been a prosperous year for us and we are standing square to the front, preserving our standard in every manner. We have been fortunate in securing seven men who have proved themselves to be loyal Phis.

Their names are Joseph Johnstone Crawford, special; Theodore Benjamin Bethea, '93; Oscie Kyle Parker, '93; Roper Colbert Spratling, '93; William Marion Hight, '94; James Albert Wilson, '94; Petit Reynolds, '91.

Bro. Crawford was prevented from returning to college after Christmas, by the death of his mother and father. We sympathize deeply with Bro. Crawford in his loss. Bros. Peabody and Hight have resigned college; this is a big loss, for they are both good men and enthusiastic Phis.

Bro. Peabody intends to enter Lehigh University next session. Bro. Amos Jones, of the Alabama Gamma is with us now. We have fifteen members who will keep the cause moving with the sword and shield.

We will try to show the same number of honor certificates at the end of the session.

We had a short but very pleasant visit from Bro. Edgar Burts, of Columbus, Ga., on Sunday, Feb. 15th. Although Bro. Burts is not in our midst, he is always ready and willing to do anything in his power for Phi Delta Theta. Bro. R. E. Noble, '90, is with us now, having received a position in the State Chemical Laboratory. We have furnished our hall with a nice carpet and do not intend to get cool on this subject until we have furnished it with everything that will add to its attractiveness and our comfort. The Sigma Nu fraternity has established a chapter here; this addition makes five fraternities in college. We send best wishes for all Phis. Fraternally,

RALEIGH W. GREENE.

Auburn, March 4, 1891.

Alabama Gamma, Southern University.

Since our last letter three of our best boys were compelled to leave college, but will be with us next year. These brothers will be missed in the chapter room and on the campus. We initiated Arthur Wright, of Midway, Ala. We take the greatest pleasure in introducing him to the Phi world.

The rest of the elections to places of honor have passed, and as usual $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ came in for her share. Bro. Ansley was elected one of the contestants for the orator's medal at commencement. Bros. Meek and Wright were chosen commencement debaters. With these honors added to those received sometime back, we have more than any other fraternity in college. This is very encouraging when we view it from the standpoint that the honors of S. U. are bestowed upon those men only who are meritorious and well fitted. The new men we have taken this year are jewels, many of whom were "rushed" by other fraternities; but we seldom fail to "catch our fish," for the fame of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ is known. We have a harmonious chapter; every Phi loves his brother Phi, and this I consider as being one of the most important factors in the progress of a chapter. We did not observe Alumni Day because many of our boys were sick at the time, and we were rather late in receiving notice of the celebration. We intend having a large delegation at the next convention. We have only three men in the senior class this year, but we have fine junior and sophomore delegations, all of whom are going to return next year. Everything now indicates that next year will be one of the best in the history of the chapter. We have had much opposition since we have been established here, but by harmonious action, and by taking right and justice as our motto, we have risen above these difficulties and stepped forward as powerful competitors where merit and ability crowned men with honors. We have a high standard for membership, and by adhering to that standard we have made but few mistakes, and these we have lessened as we have grown in experience.

Hubert M. Ansley.

Greensboro, March 7, 1891.

DELTA PROVINCE.

Louisiana Alpha, Tulane University.

Several noticeable events have occurred since our last letter. Phi Delta Theta's record during that time has been a successful one—in every way. At the annual oratorical contest of the Glendy Burke Literary Society, Bro. Conniff, '93, carried off the

first medal for declamation, which is a distinguished honor for so young a man. Bros. Bohn, Horton and Brady of the medical college succeeded in passing the entrance examination for the ambulance corps of the New Orleans Charity Hospital. As only eight candidates out of thirty-five were successful, these gentlemen deserve the highest praise for their continued industry and appreciation, and $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ may well be proud of them. Tulane has recently purchased a tract of land in the garden district of this city, and we hope to see new college buildings erected there at no very distant date. The society of young ladies at the Sophie Newcombe Memorial College, mentioned in our last letter, is still prospering. These young ladies merit the greatest commendation for their energetic efforts in this direction and have our best wishes for continued success.

Tulane athletics, which a short time ago appeared to be on the wane, have revived with surprising alacrity owing to the near advent of our annual "Spring Games," which take place in May. Several Phi's are preparing to enter the foot-races, and we hope that they will acquit themselves worthily. With friendly greeting to all the chapters, I remain

Yours in the Bond,

F. P. BLAKE.

New Orleans, March 6, 1891.

TEXAS GAMMA, SOUTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

In our last report we failed to mention the fact that Dr. Morgan Callaway, Jr., a Phi of Georgia Beta, had resigned the chair of English at the S. W. U., and accepted a like position in the State University at Austin. We were indeed sorry to lose Dr. Callaway, as he is a thorough educator and a cultured, Christian gentleman. The State University and Texas Beta are to be congratulated on securing the services of so able and so worthy a man. The vacancy made by his resignation is filled by Professor Charles H. Ross, of Alabama, who was for some time a student at Johns Hopkins, and who has proven himself worthy to be the successor of Dr. Callaway.

Texas Gamma is moving on with a steady tread, gaining victories all the while. The latest addition to our ranks is O. B. Staples, '94. Though earnestly solicited day and night by the other fraternities, he followed the worthy example set by all the other men before him thus courted—joined $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ in preference to any other fraternity at the S. W. U. We are proud of our new man, for we feel that we have in him a congenial brother, who will ever be an honor to our Fraternity. It is with pride that we introduce him to brother Phis.

Since our last letter we have enjoyed visits from Bros. Kilgore, W. L. and S. W. Dean, Mathis, and Thomas, all of whom are succeeding well in their respective vocations, reflecting credit on their Alma Mater and Phi Delta Theta. We are always ready to extend a hearty welcome to our alumni. Their visits encourage us. Bro. L. L. Thomas was called away on business, and cannot be with us again till next term. His departure decreased our number to seven, but a more congenial and zealous band of seven brothers cannot easily be found. During the past fall term we made the highest average of distinctions ever made by a fraternity at the S. W. U., and received a full share of college and society honors. Through the recommendation of our own merits we hope to receive even more honors during the present term. We are represented on the *Monthly* staff for this term by Gordon, chief editor; Boyce, special editor; and Fain, general business manager. Bro. Brown presides over the Alamo; Bro. Boyce continues to lead the seniors, though ably seconded by Bro. Gordon. Phi material now appears to be scarce among the uninitiated, but the spring term will likely mature some for our use.

The numerical strength of the fraternities here is *K A*, 9; *Φ Δ Θ*, 7; *K Σ*, 7. *Φ K N* entered the University last year, but it "died a bornin'." Compared with this time last year and the year before, we are few in number, but we prefer to keep our standard high and number low, rather than to have our standard low and number high. Our comparatively small number is due to the scarcity of "timber," and not to a failure to procure men desired.

We would surely be recreant to our appreciation of favors shown us, did we fail to mention the superb banquet recently given to Texas Gamma Phis at the home of Rev. Isaac Sellers. The Misses Sellers are delightful hostesses, and when they exerted themselves in our behalf, be assured that the evening was made one of the most enjoyable, long to be held in memory by all who were fortunate enough to be present.

The SCROLL is a welcome and encouraging visitor, anxiously awaited each time. With fraternal regards and best wishes for its efficient editor, and with wishful solicitude for the continued triumphs throughout the realms of Phidom, we remain,

Yours in the Bond,

JOHN A. FAIN, JR.

Georgetown, March 7, 1891.

EPSILON PROVINCE.

OHIO ALPHA, MIAMI UNIVERSITY.

The only thing of interest that has happened during the term was the celebration of Washington's birthday by the Erodelphian Literary Society on the evening of Feb. 21st. Two of the four speakers were Phis, and one a Deke. The entire musical program was furnished by the Miami banjo club of which mention was made in a former letter.

During the two months just passed, the friends of Miami have been closely watching and patiently waiting the issues of the State Legislature, and at last we announce an appropriation of $13,800, not a large amount to be sure, but enough to insure prosperity to the University. A large part of this sum will go toward fitting up the new science hall, and a part will be used in the purchase of books for the library.

Among other bills introduced was one to give the O. S. U. an independent and special tax levy of 1–20 of a mill, aggregating $100,000; another was to put the three state schools under one managing board, and to make the O. S. U. the Ohio University, and Miami the scientific, normal and classical departments respectively. At this date the bills are still in the possession of the committees.

The banjo club took part in a concert given on the evening of Feb. 27th, at Eaton, O., and the music was heartily received. A trip to Liberty, Ind., is the next and a spring vacation tour is contemplated.

WALTER C. HARRIS.

Oxford, March 4, 1891.

OHIO BETA, OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

Since our last report Ohio Beta has continued in her prosperous united condition. In college honors we have to report that Bro. Jones was elected literary editor of the *Transcript* for 1891–92. Bro. Robinson was President and Bro. Hollington, Junior orator of the Washington birthday exercises.

While we have initiated no new men, yet we have secured pledges from several, so that we now have six of the best men in the lower classes pledged, four of whom we will probably initiate next term.

We have been enjoying for the last few days a visit from Bro. Reitz, of Pennsylvania Delta and also several short visits from Bro. Evans, one of our graduates of last year.

Several of our boys attended the contest at Wooster and while there were pleased to meet the members of Ohio Delta and also a large delegation from Ohio Epsilon and to rejoice with them over the high place obtained by Bro. Henry, of Epsilon, in the contest.

The Pan-Hellenic banquet, which was to have been held this term has "flunked out" for some reason, probably from a disagreement of the committee whether or not young ladies should be invited. While the relations between the nine frats. here are friendly, yet we regret that this banquet should be done away with as it was the principal promoter of Pan-Hellenic spirit in the college.

At present the members of the chapter are very earnestly discussing the advisability and possibility of establishing a chapter house and it may be that in the near future Ohio Beta will be able to welcome her visitors in a home of her own.

Athletics in the university are just now at an important crisis. This university has been voted into the State Intercollegiate Athletic Association provided the faculty will grant permission to play return games. As yet the question has not been decided, but we are hoping the decision will be favorable. In college athletics we have two men on the foot ball team and will probably have two men on the base ball team this Spring.

R. D. HOLLINGTON.

Delaware, March 9, 1891.

OHIO DELTA, UNIVERSITY OF WOOSTER.

The State Oratorical Contest held here is over and although Wooster's representative was only half way up the ladder by the decision of the judges, we feel her former high position as an entertainer was maintained. Bro. Carl Henry of Buchtel, being the only Phi contestant we lent our voices to sister Epsilon when it was announced that her son had taken second place.

The parlors of Epsilon must impart oratorical inspiration, and she can justly feel proud with her sons, Tucker, last year first and Henry this year second.

Among the toasters at the Banquet following the contest were two Phi speakers, who delighted us with credible, pleasing toasts, Bro. Eberhard, of Buchtel, on "The Banquet" and Bro. Blake, of Athens, the "Ladies" man.

Five Phis stayed over the next night to hear the celebrated Clara Morris in "Odette," and after the theatre had the pleasure of attending an enjoyable reception given by the ladies of Kappa Kappa Gamma in honor of their visiting sisters from O. S. U. Glowing terms, flowery rhetoric and brilliant language, would be the way of expressing the happy glow on every face, the flowers

of the ladies, the brilliant flashes of wit, humor and intelligence which made the hours glide so quickly away. The contact with 17 visiting Phis (from Buchtel, Delaware and Athens, O. S. U. alone not being represented) has greatly added to the ardor and vigor of our chapter. Though not many in numbers never within the reporter's three years fraternity life have the weekly meetings been so thoroughly enjoyable and the boys in as good working order. We are sorry Bro. Kendall, '93, on account of sickness will be out of school probably the remainder of the year.

We were delighted to have affiliate with us Bro. L. F. Lybarger and it is no wonder Ohio Epsilon so reluctantly let go of him for he is fired to white heat with enthusiasm and has already shown himself to be a Phi worker in all that the expression implies. We also introduce to the fraternity Bro. Alvin Crowe, '94, of Wellsville, Ohio. Bro. Crowe's father was a Phi, so with a double supply of that kind of blood in his veins and the interest already manifested, he is surely promising. We will be represented at the Province Convention, Indianapolis, Ind., March 13, by the reporter.

C. C. LONG.

Wooster, March 10, 1891.

OHIO EPSILON, BUCHTEL COLLEGE.

Buchtel College has recovered from the terrible calamity of last December. Our last letter was written in the midst of anxiety and uncertainty. All feared that several of the injured would suffer the fate of those two whom loving hands had a few days before borne to their last resting place. But after a hard struggle all the injured passed the critical point and are now convalescing rapidly. This unhoped for good fortune has caused college affairs to brighten and all is now moving smoothly. The attendance has increased more than ever before at this time of the year.

Buchtel hopes to cut a figure in athletics this year. We are now preparing for a gymnasium exhibition and the candidates for the ball team are working hard. Our College is a new factor in the athletic field, but with our unsurpassed gymnasium, we expect to be among the leaders as soon as athletics becomes as fixed an institution as our other departments.

Our chapter has initiated no new men since our last letter. All our boys are thoroughly interested in the work and a more enthusiastic set of fraternity men would be hard to find. Our meetings are brim full of true Phi spirit and a healthy vigor characterizes all our work.

The whole chapter invaded the house of Bro. Ed. Findley, '91, on the evening of Feb. 9th, and admonished him that hav-

ing now attained his majority he must put away childish things.

On Feb. 6th, Bro. Henry won second prize in the Ashton Prize Speaking contest.

Feb. 19th saw thirty-five Buchtelites going to Wooster to attend the Ohio State Oratorical Contest. Thirteen of these were Phi's. Bro. Henry was Buchtel's representative and the writer was alternate. Bro. Henry was awarded second honor by the judges which with Bro. Tucker's first honor of last year, gives Ohio Epsilon a two years' record to be proud of. Bro. Henry's oration received first place in Thought and Composition. This is the third time in six years that an oration written by a member of Ohio Epsilon has received first place in Thought and Composition. We were highly gratified to meet members of Ohio Beta, Gamma and Delta at Wooster.

Bro. Cole, '92, has been elected Editor-in-Chief of the *Buchtelite*. Bro. Holcomb, '93, is Treasurer of the Oratorical Association and the writer is Marshal of the Athletic Association. Bro. Findley, '91, is our representative to the Epsilon Province Convention.

Yours in the Bond,

LEROY C. EBERHARD.

Akron, March 8, 1891.

OHIO ZETA, OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter, success has crowned our every effort and many of our Saturday evening meetings made more pleasant by the presence of Phis, both resident and visiting. That is just as we would have it. As to securing new men, we have pledged three more, making a total of eight since the beginning of the school year.

One of these three was initiated on the last Saturday evening of January, and I therefore beg to present to our alumni and the Fraternity at large, Bro. John Dudley Dunham, '94, of this city, whom I know will receive the brotherly feeling and love which is due him.

On Nov. 1st we were favored by having Bros. Wallace and Long of Ohio Delta visit us. They came here with their foot ball team, which defeated our own team by the score of 64 to 0. Our team was sadly deficient in practice and training, and showed very plainly that a good gymnasium and instructor was imperative. It seems strange that an institution as large as the Ohio State University has not had a gymnasium long ago, or at least, as good and well equipped a one as is possessed by other smaller colleges. It is to be hoped that we will be favored with one before long. We cannot gain distinction in athletics without one.

Bro. F. W. Brown, E. M., '88, has visited us a number of times; also Bro. W. O. Scheibell, E. M., '88, visited us on Feb. 8th and 9th. Bro. Geo. W. Chessel, ex-'92, was with us for a short time during the early part of the month. Bro. J. E. Brown, M. D., has frequently called on us during the term. On the same evening that Bro. Wallace and Long were with us, Bro. Lindenberg presented the chapter with last year's chapter group very handsomely framed. Some other brother should have the '89 group framed and then we would have a complete series. The recent success of New York Epsilon has set us to figuring on a chapter house and we hope to be pleasantly situated before long in a "home." But to New York Epsilon we most heartily offer our congratulations.

We are highly elated over the success of our orator in the oratorical contest held in Wooster on the 19th of this month. For the first time in the university's history, we have secured first honor. We have waited patiently and at last we are rewarded. When our orator returned we gave *her* a right royal welcome with tin horns and other musical (?) instruments. Our representative was a young lady, a member of Browning Literary Society, and we venture to say that she will do credit to Ohio, at Des Moines, Iowa, next May, at the inter-state contest. It is to be hoped that since we were victorious in this contest, that the trustees and faculty will come to our aid and give us a department of elocution. There are also two other departments that are needed badly and we cannot properly call ourselves a university until we have them. I refer to departments in Law and Medicine. All great colleges and universities have such departments and they form a large part, if not the larger part of the university. I have noticed that where $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$ has located very prosperous chapters, there a course in either law or medicine, or both, is found. As examples, I recall Michigan Alpha, Louisiana Alpha, Missouri Alpha, Kansas Alpha and other chapters. The first two named are exceeding prosperous chapters and Louisiana Alpha, the youngest chapter in the Fraternity, is to be congratulated for her wonderful zeal and energy. Ohio Zeta sends some one to either a medical or law school nearly every year, and if such departments were located here, it would be of immense benefit to the chapter, as Louisiana Alpha and Michigan Alpha are witnesses.

The absence of Prof. Geo. W. Knight, who was abroad all last year, was keenly felt by all who had the interest of the university at heart and his return was hailed with delight. Prof. Samuel Derby was ill all of last fall term, but has resumed his work, much to the satisfaction of his classes. The dedication of our new Chemical Laboratory was held last week, when the entire building was thrown open for inspection to members of the State Legislature and the many friends of the university.

Bro. Samuel E. Bennett, D. V. M., '90, who is now in Hanover, Germany, has been favored by Dartmouth College, New Hampshire, with an offer of professorship in veterinary medicine, at a handsome salary. Should Bro. Bennett accept, we would commend him to the New Hampshire Alpha, who will find in him a pleasant companion and brother.

The reorganized glee club made its first appearance not long ago, and to say that they have progressed would be expressing it lightly. Bro. Jones sings first tenor in the club, and ranks among the best, if not *the* best of the tenor singers. Another organization that makes it's appearance soon, is the University Orchestra. There are about thirty performers in it, and as they have been practicing for quite a while, much will be expected of them. A banjo, mandolin and guitar club was very recently formed, but as yet have hardly got down to solid practice. Bros. Askew and Lindenberg manipulate mandolins in the club.

As far as honors are concerned, we hold a goodly share. Bro. Jones is president of the Senior class; Bro. Thompson is vice-president of Senior class; Bro. Askew is treasurer of the *Makio* Board; Bro. Rane is president of both the Oratorical and Athletic Associations; Bros. Farber, Mathias and Dunham hold prominent offices in the Battalion, which, under command of Lieut. Alexander Ogle, was never in a more flourishing condition.

One of our pledged men is president of his class, and it is ludicrous to see how eager other fraternities are to secure him.

There are seven fraternities represented here, and their names, date of establishment and numerical strength, is as follows:

Name.	*Date established here.*	*Numerical strength.*
Phi Gamma Delta	1878	8
Phi Kappa Psi,	May 15, 1880	13
Sigma Chi,	May 15, 1882	9
Phi Delta Theta,	Oct. 6, 1883	13
Chi Phi,	Nov. 9, 1883	8
Beta Theta Pi,	Dec. 16, 1885	17
Kappa Kappa Gamma,	Oct. 12, 1888	...

As we have thirteen active members at present, and five pledged men we will have at the close of the year the largest membership Ohio Zeta has ever had. And we are not through yet. Look out for further developments!

The College annual, the *Makio*, is published by the fraternities, and this year will probably be issued sooner than usual, and we would be glad to exchange with any other chapter or chapters desiring to do so.

The college journal, the *Lantern*, is issued bi-weekly and published by the literary societies.

Again, I beg of any Phi who is in the city, either temporarily or permanently, to make himself known to us. Either address

97 Clinton Building, before reaching Columbus, or address the reporter (see SCROLL.)

Yours in Φι——χεια,

FRANK D. ASKEW.

Columbus, Feb. 23, 1891.

INDIANA BETA, WABASH COLLEGE.

Time has flown by for the past two months with but little to disturb the festive student save one event—the celebration of Washington's Birthday. This is the time above all others at which the spirit of the Wabash lower classmen boils and bubbles until some eruption is effected when bubble-like it bursts and is no more. Last year's effort ended in somewhat of a street fight when the forces of '92 and '93 entered the lists and retired with painful but wiser heads.

This had the effect of dampening the ardor of rivalry for this season and the two classes united in procuring the Hild-Park Concert Company, of New York, and the entertainment by it rendered was heard by a crowded house. The Seniors by their usual tact monopolized the boxes much to the disgust of the Juniors, the leaders of whom frowned upon the celebration as being "too tame" and spited the managers of the classes by reposing in the highest gallery amongst the cobwebs and gallery gods. The members of the company appeared wearing the Senior and Sophomore colors.

The college and city were represented in full and class yells were the ruling spirits. After the concert it was reported that the time honored flag staff of Center Hall was graced by a banner placed upon it by the Sophomores. Sunday night or Monday morning some daring ones scaled the walls of Yandes Library and printed '93 in figures some twelve feet in height. Those of us upon the opposite side were somewhat angered at such depredations as it was understood by us that the whole celebration was to consist of the concert but we were again thrown into consternation by the abduction of R. Howard Taylor, '94's most efficient president, who was to attend the Freshman banquet in state. He was taken some four miles from the city where his captors had provided all the comforts which could be obtained at so short notice; although somewhat chagrined at his absence from the feast in the city, he tells us that his guards were the best of gentlemen. But enough of this.

The chapter moves along smoothly as is her wont with but little at this time of the year to provoke excitement. A few nights since we banqueted at the Smock House and our more distant brothers were not forgotten.

ROBT. H. CROZIER.

Crawfordsville, March 9, 1891.



INDIANA GAMMA, BUTLER UNIVERSITY.

Another term is almost gone. The fraternity world at Butler has been particularly active. On the evening of January 16th, Delta Tau Delta handsomely entertained the other fraternities in her hall with a literary and social treat. In the enthusiasm of the moment steps were taken toward reviving the suspended publication of the college annual, and it is now well on the way to completion. Our representatives on the board of editors are Bros. Matthews, '91, Williams, '92, and Davidson, '92.

The State oratorical contest is rapidly approaching, and is occupying our attention at present. Looking over the field, it strikes me that the Phis must be the people. Eight votes out of twenty-four, and two orators besides, is not bad, when you consider the number of fraternities in the state.

At our own contest February 9th, Bro. Carr, '92, was awarded first place, and Bro. Sellers, '91, was given third place. Bro. Carr goes to Indianapolis the 13 inst. to do battle for us against the other colleges.

Another fraternity has made its appearance among us. A few weeks ago several young gentlemen came out wearing the badge of Kappa Sigma. We heartily welcome them to our midst, and congratulate the fraternity on the acquisition of such young men to its ranks.

Indiana Gamma has the honor of presenting to her sister chapters Bro. Chas. E. Baker, '93, of Peru, Ind. Our new man is one of the best members of his class and one of the best half-backs in the state, and we feel confident that he will carry the banner of Phi Delta Theta as he has ever carried the foot-ball for Butler University—to victory.

Chapter letters are beginning to come in. All speak very highly of the prosperous condition of the fraternity everywhere. We certainly do have great reason to rejoice.

The SCROLL is brighter and more newsy than ever.

Yours in the Bond.

R. F. DAVIDSON.

Irvington, March 3, 1891.

MICHIGAN ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

We added one more to our number since our last letter to the SCROLL. On the evening of January 10th, we initiated John Arthur Whitworth, '94, of Grand Rapids, Michigan, who has already proved himself a "hustler" as a fraternity man. Harry Burritt Mulliken, '94, of Detroit, who entered college at the beginning of this second semester, is to be initiated at our next meeting.

An event which we shall always remember as one of the pleasantest of the college year was the visit which we received last Friday from Bro. J. E. Brown and wife, of Columbus. They arrived on Friday afternoon and remained with us until Saturday evening. Friday evening we gave a party in their honor in the chapter-house—the first one of the year. Eighteen couples were in attendance and the time was most pleasantly occupied in dancing until a late hour.

On Saturday afternoon Bros. Greene, Sloan, Newcomer and Kelley of Michigan Gamma, dropped in on us, and proved most welcome visitors. In the evening a Phi "love-feast" was held until Bro. Brown and Mrs. Brown, a most loyal Phi sister, all too soon, took their departure for home. The Hillsdale brothers remained with us until Monday. They returned home determined to make preparations for entering a chapter house at the beginning of next year. We hope to hear of others adopting this same resolution and if we can help any of them in any way by suggestion or advice to the consummation of a plan, we shall be glad to do so.

A new society was recently formed for social purposes among the independent girls. It is called the Collegiate Alethian and starts out with a membership of fifteen.

At the Senior election which took place a short time since, the independents captured every office except those of poetess and historian, the successful candidate for the latter position being the Phi representative, Bro. O. R. Hardy. The election is an evidence of Bro. Hardy's popularity, he being the only fraternity candidate on the ticket which was elected.

The long-looked-for and much needed gymnasium is at last in sight. Joshua W. Waterman, of Detroit, a graduate of Yale, has offered $20,000 for this purpose on condition that the University will raise $20,000 more. They have gone to work with a will and over $14,000 has already been raised. Three months' time is allowed in which to raise the required amount and there is no doubt that the efforts of the faculty and students to meet the requirement, will be successful.

The University glee and banjo clubs start on their annual trip April 10th. Their list of engagements is as follows: Grand Rapids, April 10; Bloomington, Ills., April 11; Springfield, April 13; St. Louis, April 14; Kansas City, April 15; Topeka, April 16; Leavenworth, April 17; St. Joseph, April 18; Council Bluffs, April 20; Des Moines, April 21, and Chicago, April 22. Brother J. L. Mitchell, president of Epsilon province, is a member of the glee club and is very desirous of meeting, on the trip, all Phi's who may be in the cities through which the clubs pass.

The University has sustained a severe loss in the death of Dr. Alexander Winchell, professor of Geology, after nearly forty years' labor in the University. His fame as a scientist was world-wide and the scientific world has lost in him an ardent worker, an original thinker, and a mind of extraordinary speculative powers.

FRANK H. DIXON.

Ann Arbor, March 4, 1891.

MICHIGAN GAMMA, HILLSDALE COLLEGE.

It is with a feeling of pride and satisfaction, as well as pleasure that Michigan Gamma introduces three more new Phis to the Grecian world. Bros. S. W. Kelly, H. S. Myers and B. F. Green, all of the Freshman Class, have and are now true, earnest Knights of the Faith and Brothers of the Bond. We number fifteen men at present and a more active, harmonious crowd it would be hard to find. We can say without fear of successful contradiction that we stand at the head of the fraternities in Hillsdale and have compelled our rivals to acknowledge our supremacy in the securing of several good men. At the Junior contests last term $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$ carried off her share of the honors. In the A. K. P. Society, N. B. Sloan took first prize with G. K. March and A. J. Gilbert second and third respectively, and in the Amphictyon Society C. B. Chaffee took second honors, though it is but the truth to say that public opinion granted him first place. In the Theadelphic Society S. W. Kelly walked off with third honors and a vow to make them "hustle" next year.

We are making arrangements at present to have a grand reception in connection with our Anniversary Exercises, which will be made an especial feature. We have admirable talent for an event of that kind and it is expected that the occasion will be a highly enjoyable one.

The Alpha Tau Omega fraternity recently gave a very pleasant and unique entertainment at the home of Miss Winnie Hill, the step-daughter of Professor Chase of the Music Department, in the shape of a Masquerade Party, representative of Colonial Times. The Alpha Tau Omegas are friendly rivals of the Phis and have some good workers. We have been agitating the subject of chapter house for some time past quite strongly and hope by another year at least to see it materialize.

The Musical Department of the college of which Bro. D. J. Churchill is one of the active directors, is considering very strongly the idea of a Conservatory of Music. The plans have all been drawn and the committee are now looking for some benevolent man who has more of this world's goods than he

wants, to "come over into Macedonia and help" and to perpetuate not only his own name, but a lasting benefit to posterity.

Bro. O. W. Pierce was home for a few days during the holidays, from Delaware, Ohio, where he has already won an enviable reputation in the Musical Department of the Ohio Wesleyan University at that place.

A. R. Heckman of the class of '86, and now a real estate broker in Chicago, is staying over Sunday with us and visiting his brother J. J., who is a loyal Phi. A cordial invitation is extended to all Phis going either east or west, to stop off at Hillsdale, where a hearty welcome is assured you.

J. NELSON GREENE.

Hillsdale, Feb. 2, 1891.

ZETA PROVINCE.

ILLINOIS EPSILON, ILLINOIS WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

Illinois Epsilon chapter is in good condition. Preparations are being made for an anniversary program to be given the latter part of this month. At this particular time the chapter makes an annual effort at public literary performances with the view of maintaining a reputation in the university along that line. We have some very good talent and have no doubt of making a hit. Socially the boys have popularized themselves by the formation of a Whist Club of ten members. It is a pronounced success.

One of our alumni, Bro. Robert E. Williams, Jr. is at present making a tour of the Pacific coast, in company of Mr. De Lapidan, a Swiss lawyer and special artist of the London Graphic. Another popular alumnus Bro. A. J. Barr, was recently the successful defending attorney in one of the largest criminal trials this county has had in a long time. The defense was quite brilliant and shrewd. Bro. N. Walworth Marsh will sail for Germany the latter end of February. He will take a three year musical course in Berlin. Bro. R. A. Eaton is prospering in Devil's Lake, N. Dak. Bro. Geo. Mueller is a very successful commercial traveler in the West with headquarters at Helena, Mont. He spent some of the holidays here. Bro. I. N. Van Pelt holds a responsible position with McLaughlin's XXXX Coffee house in Chicago. Bro. Frank Warner is reading law in Chicago with ex-Gov. Hamilton.

J. H. SHAW.

Bloomington, Jan. 24, 1891.

Illinois Zeta, Lombard University.

The winter term opened up with bright prospects for Illinois Zeta. Although we have lost three valuable members, viz.: Bro. Silliman, '92, Bro. T. V. Young, '93 and Bro. L. B. Young, '93, since last term; yet on January 15th we initiated four very valuable men, all of the class of '94, viz.: R. E. Olmstead, of St. Paul, Minn., W. E. Griswold, of Columbus, Wis., B. P. Smith and W. P. Dutton, of Sycamore, Ill. The latter is a brother of Bro. Geo. E. Dutton, who graduated with the class of '89. Bro. S. T. Donohoe is our President and takes great interest in all Phi work. At our initiation we carried out the ritual almost to the letter, working the three acts in one night. The program was somewhat long, but we all enjoyed it. After the ceremony was over, Bros. Wild and Brady took us all to Burts' Restaurant where they had provided an elegant banquet.

The Swan prize oratorical contest was held on Jan. 30, and Bro. Robert Anderson, '93, captured the first prize.

Alumni Day was observed in grand style by Illinois Zeta. Bro. S T. Donohoe opened his hospitable residence and the Phis with their Π Β Φ sisters were right royally entertained. Bro. Donohoe furnished an elegant repast and all voted it one of the pleasantest times in their lives.

We have received visits from Bros. Anderson, Slater, Farlow and Brigham, all of the class of '90, and we are always glad to see our brothers.

Zeta Province holds her convention at Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, March 30, 31 and April 1. Bros. Case, Donohoe and Wild are our delegates, and others may go.

Bros. Anderson and Dutton have each gotten new Phi pins which we are all very proud of.

We have just had the pleasure of initiating William R. Tapper, '94, of Chicago. He is a brother of Bro. Geo. F. Tapper of '92, thus giving us one more valuable man.

At our last election Brother Chas. Cottrell was chosen President and Bro. Will Griswold, Secretary, to serve during the spring term.

Our annual circular letter shows us to be in a prosperous condition which we are very proud to say. With best wishes to all the sisters chapters.

Yours in the Bond,

Chas. H. Cottrell.

Galesburgh, March 2, 1891.

WISCONSIN ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN.

The last number of the SCROLL did not contain a letter fro Wisconsin Alpha but we trust that future ones will have som thing from her even if nothing more than "Yours in the Bond

Since our last letter we have initiated six men, giving us chapter list of twenty-six—two Seniors, five Juniors, eight Sop omores, and eleven Freshmen. Our initiates since October 1 are Hermann Oppenheimer, '91, St. Paul, Minn; Frank McDonough, '93, Eau Claire; George T. Kelly, Eau Clair Ed. M. Hooper, Oshkosh; Percy Elwell, La Crosse; and Fre M. Moore, Fond du Lac; all '94.

Each year the incoming class not only increases, but brings larger proportion of fraternity men to the U. W. so that t chapters are beginning to number twenty-five and over.

With one or two exceptions the cities in this part of the cou try do not belong exclusively to any one fraternity. One reas may be that the alumni rarely settle in the places they enter the University from, or even in the State, and so cannot he their chapter by "fixing" men before they leave home. Ho ever we have some right to claim Milwaukee for we at prese have six active and quite a number of alumni members in th city. We have a larger proportion of actives from Milwauk than any other chapter and our alumni there belonged to t chapter a few years ago, and do all they can to advance t prosperity of Phi Delta Theta at home and abroad.

Most of our men have been pointed out to us by our alumni different parts of the State and thus we were able to proceed i telligently with regard to them. It would, indeed, seem unn tural for persons who have been associated with an organizatic of such a nature as a college secret society for even a year, n to retain interest in what, though it has changed its personali many times yet remains ever the same—"My Fraternity."

Chapter house life is the very best of all fraternity life. N withstanding appearances it does not interfere with study, for a brother enters your room while you are at work you do n feel obliged to entertain him as you would if he had come fro a room in another house. On the contrary, you feel at liber to "bow him out" unceremoneously as his own room is but few steps away.

Our parties, thanks to our large parlors, have been among t very best given by fraternities this year, as well as being great in number.

We shall have three men on the glee club trip this spring o of whom is the leader and manager. Two of the others a pledged and will join in the spring term. We are noted as

musical fraternity, and not without reason. Among the pleasantest informal gatherings of the last few months were the Phi musicals. Our house resounds with music of various kinds and qualities from the national anthem to the latest popular tune. A feature of one of our recent meetings was a college song written by Bro. Curtis and sung by several brothers.

Our honors are not confined to the musical department alone. We have had men in several prominent literary positions and expect in the coming spring to become more active in athletics. Of the recently organized boat club, Bro. C. E. Hilbert is president. This organization bids fair to absorb a large amount of interest the college takes in out door exercise. The facilities for boating that will soon be offered us by the building of a boat house on college grounds will do much to make this the most popular amusement in the University.

In addition to various other honors Bro. Young is now the literary editor of the *Aegis*.

The University has been rejoicing the last few days over the passage of the University Bill by the Wisconsin Legislature, granting the college one-tenth of a mill of all taxes for the next six years which amounts to about $60,000 a year. By this bill we will be able to get our much needed armory *alias* gymnasium. We also get a new law building, new buildings for the agricultural course and a boat house. The authorities purpose to borrow nearly the whole sum allowed by the State and to proceed to build as soon as plans are drawn up and the sites determined upon.

This donation was made absolutely necessary by the enormous growth of the University the last few years.

The *Badger* this year will contain pictures of the various fraternity houses in place of the usual engravings. Phi Delta Theta will be represented by a photogravure of the chapter group and the chapter house. Brother Young is on the editorial board and a number of pictures have been furnished by Phi's.

We shall be glad to exchange with any other chapter as soon as the book appears.

Yours in the Bond,

FRANK SWEET.

Madison, March 9, 1891.

MISSOURI ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI.

We are afraid that, unless Missouri Alpha can find her way into the April SCROLL, she will have to apply for a new charter to gain recognition in the fraternity world, that is, away from Columbia, but here she is holding her own in a most Phi-like manner.

Our contests have not commenced yet, so we will wait until the June number to call the roll of honors. Next Saturday evening our chapter makes its *debut*, for this year, in the persons of Bros. Drum and Thompson, in a Shakesperian contest; we have great hopes stored up in these two tragedians. For the rest of the year we will be holding out our arms at full length to receive the honors that have come to be recognized as our rights here.

Our man to the Province Convention is Brother C. G. Haines. The convention meets in Mt. Pleasant, Iowa.

We are arranging to give some sort of a fete in April and before the June issue of our organ we will have had our annual banquet. Since last year a fine music hall has been erected here which affords us a most delightful place for dancing and in this we will thank the white and blue.

Every chapter that is not already blest with quarters of its own should lose no time getting them. They bring the men together and carry in them something of the odor of fraternal love. It seems to pervade the very atmosphere; it sits on the chairs; hangs on the pictures and hides itself in the damask coverings of the windows that shut out everything but love and brotherly feeling.

We have had this year as live, harmonious and hard-working a chapter of sixteen men as ever moved under Missouri Alpha's private banner. We hope ere our next letter is due to set up honor for honor with any of our sister chapters.

Bro. R. T. Haines is in New York engaged in work preparatory for the stage. He is a man of some talent and we are expecting from him something beyond the ordinary. He has assumed the buskin and has gone to work with a conscientious zeal that, backed by his peculiar talents, is sure to make a tragedian of the first type.

Hoping that from these few facts our sister chapters will learn that we are still a little "in it," we will leave the other half to be told by our circular letter. Yours in $\Phi\iota$—$\chi\varepsilon\iota\alpha$,

F. P. DEVILBISS.

Columbia, March 8, 1891.

IOWA ALPHA, IOWA WESLEYAN UNINERSITY.

That Iowa Alpha's reporter should this time get his letter in in time for publication is a pleasant duty which the enthusiastic brothers at I. W. U. seem to have resolved themselves into a committee of the whole to keep constantly before him. Yes—we have enthusiasm. Of all good things we have to report that is the most important. The deepest, most sincere spirit of fellowship permeates the activities of the every day lives of the

boys and invariably bursts forth in torrents when excited by the congeniality of our regular weekly meetings.

Since our last letter to the SCROLL we have had the good fortune of splendid accessions to our number by the initiations of Bro. C. G. Watkins, '93 and of Bros. W. H. Perdue, W. F. Gillmore, F. B. Tucker, Guy Shields, Edward Hearn and Karl W. Mayne, of '94. It has indeed been our harvest time. All were pledged men and sailed unscathed above the "grade line' imposed by the University as a prerequisite to fraternity membership. We now number twenty men. Seemingly a large chapter, but there is a good supply of fraternity material here and our chapter has got just what it wants, and we assure you nothing more. We are getting a full, strong share of college honors and our future in every way is bright. We plume ourselves that our parlors are pretty, and there is no place where the boys feel so much at home. Our chapter room has been recently recarpeted which has added to its attractions.

We are preparing for Zeta Province convention which will meet with us March 31st and April 1st. From the reports we have received fron the chapters we are encouraged in our hope for good big delegations. Bro. Coddington, '90, editor of Randolph Times, Randolph, Neb., has very kindly sent us an elegant supply of the necessary printing, another evidence of his unwavering enthusiasm. Our only rival here is Beta Theta Pi. Their chapter is in very good condition. We are happy to be able to say however, that Phi Delta Theta is in every way perfectly able to hold her own. So far as college politics are concerned, we have had a remarkably quiet year. Class spirit has run higher than ever before and in a measure blunted the sharp political contests between the fraternities. Pi Beta Phi and P. E. O. both have fine chapters and are select in their material.

This is the alumni number and we must not claim too much space. Hoping to hear good reports from our alumni everywhere when the issue appears,

Yours in *Φι—χεια*,

WILMOT C. WILLITS.

Mt. Pleasant, March 2, 1891.

IOWA BETA, IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY.

Near the first of last term the boys of Iowa Beta were given a reception and party by the young ladies of Kappa Kappa Gamma, and just before Thanksgiving we returned the compliment by having a party to which only Kappas were invited. The Kappa's gave us a fine party and the boys will always remember it with pleasure.

During last term we received visits from Bro. Chadboune, of Michigan Alpha and from Bro. Rice, Iowa Alpha. Both of them are fine fellows and we were glad to give them the grip. We also received short visits from Bros. Sever and Young, alumni of this chapter.

We have given three parties this term and on each occasion had a glorious time. We gave the party on the evening of Alumni Day, and by the way I think Iowa Beta takes the palm in the way of Alumni Day celebrations.

We started out in the morning dressed in our best, and decorated with the blue and white. This caused some excitement, the students wanting to know what the matter was, and of course we were willing to tell them. We wore the colors all day, and at 6:30 in the evening went to the hall and put two new men through, working as fast as we could in order to get ready for the party. After the initiation we straightened up the halls, started out and brought up our ladies and had a party, to celebrate both Alumni Day and our initiation. There were eighteen couples present and we tripped the light fantastic until after one. It was a very nice party and it, with the double initiation was a fit celebration of Alumni Day.

On the evening of Feb. 26th, we gave another dancing party at which there were twelve couples. The party was given in honor of Miss Rosa Haige, of Turner, Ill., who was visiting one of our Phi Delta girls. Everybody had a good time.

Since our last letter we have run in four new men, Jack, Frank and Henry McCaffrey and John M. Haddock. Frank and Henry McCaffrey are members of '93, Jack McCaffrey and Haddock, '94. The McCaffrey's are brothers, just entered this term, and were wanted by at least one of our sisters, viz., *Β Θ Π*.

Bro. Will Slattery was, about a week ago elected chairman of the Executive Committee of the State Athlectic Association. He is acknowledged to be the best posted amateur athlete in the University and is one of the best known amateurs in the State.

Bro. Bremner was elected president of the engineering society for this term. There were three candidates for the office—all Phi's, but Bremner by bribing the society with the promise of an oyster supper was able to defeat brothers Brown and Hastings the other two candidates.

Bro. C. E. Kahlke last term acted as one of the demonstrators in the Dental Department of the University and thus gets his name in the catalogue along with those of the professors.

Bro. Brown has been offered a position by an extensive cement company at Bellefontaine, Ohio, and Bro. Hastings is now doing some work here for the city.

Bro. Nichols who graduated from the law department last year was married Dec. 31st, to Miss Laura Barber of this city.

Miss Laura has always been a good Phi and all the boys are glad to welcome here as a "sister." Our brother and new sister are now living at West Liberty, where Nick can, without any trouble, hustle enough for two. Last fall he built a large cottage so they are well fixed in their own home.

FRANK G. PIERCE.

Iowa City, Feb. 19, 1891.

KANSAS ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS.

Kansas Alpha fairly beams with pride as she looks back over her progress during this portion of the present school year, and then casts a glance at herself in the looking-glass of non-partisan witnesses. Beginning the year with 12 men, having initiated 4 before the date of my last letter, December, we now have to record the addition of 7 more men, 6 by initiation: J. E. Dyche, 92, Baker, Kansas; Thornton Cook, '93, Herrington, Kansas; Stephen Tracy Leonard, '94, Lawrence, Kansas; Oscar Eldridge Leonard, '94, Lawrence, Kansas; Walter O. W. Woods, '94, Concordia, Kansas; Geo. Suffield Lyons, '94, Chetopa, Kansas. Dwight E. Potter, who has been teaching school at Antelope, Kansas, during the early part of this year, has returned, to be with us dnring the remainder, thus making our total 23.

On Nov. 21st, we celebrated our eighth annual anniversary banquet, and had a very delightful time. We had with us upon that event, a goodly number of our alumni and correspondent members, and showed them the enthusiasm still maintained, nay, increased, by the younger Phis. The yell, originated, I believe by one of the Pennsylvania chapters, has been adopted by us, and with the whistle, was in the nature of a surprise to them.

On Feb. 7, we received a welcome visit from Bro. Beazell, of Pennsylvania Eta. We are always delighted to receive visits from our eastern and southern brothers, for they may in that way become better acquainted with our position and condition, than by simply looking over our letters to the SCROLL and through similar means.

We gave a party upon Feb. 13, which was a complete success in every way, and which, by its remembrance, and the anticipation of others equally enjoyable maintains for us our high social standing.

Our circular letter has been issued, and it compares very favorably with many chapters toward whom we have looked as a sort of "illustrious example" and have considered as taking precedence by virtue of their age. We shall not feel so modest in the future. We assume this tone of self-congratulation mainly, perhaps, because our prosperity is but a proof of a claim which we have long advanced, i. e. the coming prominence of the west in fra-

ternity as well as in other affairs. A good illustration of this is the attempt, how vigorous I cannot say, for all is semi-secret, to establish a chapter of Δ K E here.

Our prosperity as a Fraternity or chapter, is paralleled by that of our university. An appropriation of $75,000 has just been granted by the Legislature, with an additional special appropriation of $3,500 to Prof. Snow, to carry on experiments in the artificial propogation of disease among insects.

The university last week received a visit from Pres. Eliot, of Harvard University, who delivered an address upon "Recent Educational Movements" and spoke to general assembly of students the following day.

A lecture course, participated in by the Senior Class has been arranged in connection with the Seminary work in Political Science. Three of the six members of the bureau who spoke in neighboring towns, were Phis, Brothers Holmes, Morse and Kellogg. With best wishes to all Phis,

Your in the Bond,

F. H. KELLOGG.

Lawrence, March 7, 1891.

CALIFORNIA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA.

Since our last letter we have passed through the trying season of the mid-year examinations, and are now well on our way in the second term. Brother Parcells has completed his course and will probably receive his diploma soon. He is the last of our charter members, and was in the class of '89 but was absent from college for a year and a half. He had expected to complete his course in three and one half years and graduate with the class of '90 last June, but the faculty would not allow him to take the required number of hours, and he was obliged to return this year. He will probably take a course in law. Four of our charter members have now graduated; brother Norris is dead and the remaining one, brother W. O. Morgan is in business.

At the last meeting of the Board of Regents the college year was changed so that the terms would correspond with those of the public schools of the State. The first term will begin in August and will end at the Christmas vacation; the second term will end in the latter part of May, one month earlier than at present. The new regulation will take effect in 1892. The change was made to the present schedule in 1887 so that the terms and vacations corresponded with those of eastern colleges. This has not proved satisfactory either to the faculty or to the students on account of the difference of the seasons on this coast from the

seasons in the East, and it has been deemed advisable to change the calendar back again.

The Sophomore hop was held in the Harmon gymnasium on the afternoon of February 14th. On account of the numbers who desired to attend the hop, and to give an equal advantage to all, tickets were sold at the door. The same method will be adopted on Charter Day, March 23rd. The limited space of the gymnasium almost obliges the students to take refuge in this way of disposing of tickets, although such action is generally regretted. It is to be hoped that we shall be provided with a suitable hall in the near future that will accommodate all of the students and their friends.

On the evening of February 27th, California Alpha gave an informal party to a few of its friends in the chapter house. There were about forty-five present, and notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather and the poor accommodations in Berkley for getting our friends to and from the chapter house in the evening, all enjoyed themselves in games and dancing, when once inside our prettily decorated parlors until, all too soon, the small hours of the morning began to warn us of the approaching day.

It is just two years since we entered our present chapter house; the lease will expire in another year, and we shall soon begin to negotiate for a renewal of the lease, unless plans which are now just beginning mature quickly. We have eleven men out of a total of sixteen in the house at present. The convenient location and the accommodations of the house itself are such that we shall be loth to part with it under any circumstances.

E. F. GOODYEAR.

Berkeley, March 6, 1891.

SPECIAL ALUMNI DEPARTMENT.

SECOND ANNUAL ALUMNI DAY.

REPORTS FROM THE CHAPTERS AND THE GOOD "MEETS."

NEW YORK ALPHA, NEW YORK.

On the 7th of March the New York Alpha Alumni chapter held its annual meeting and banquet at Riccadonas, it being found impossible to hold it on the regular Alumni Day. Bro. F. J. Greene, N. Y. *Γ*, was chairman of the Committee on Entertainment and a most abundant repast was spread for the inner man, "to which the large assemblage of Phi's did ample justice." Bro. Greene, we feel sure, will always remember the occasion with pride. Before the feast the annual election was held with the following result: President, Dudley R. Horton, N. Y. *Δ* '75; Secretary and Treasurer, W. A. Cattell, Pa. *Δ* '84; Warden, J. C. Turk, Vt. *Δ*, and Reporter, F. J. Greene, N. Y. *Γ*. Great results are expected from the new officers, who seem to be imbued with thorough determination to make their regime most resplendid for Phi Delta Theta.

The subjects propounded by the General Council were not discussed at length owing to lateness of the hour. The post-prandial exercises were most ably presided over by our worthy brother Alpha Province ex-President G. W. Roberts. Short speeches of the conversational nature were made by Province President B. S. Orcutt, J. C. Turk, W. A. Cattell, T. Harry Knox, F. J. Greene, L. C. Adamson, David Green (for N. Y. *Γ*). Bro. Fred Linsey, of N. Y. *Δ*, who has been five years at various German universities, gave an enjoyable account of his sojourn abroad. Bro. Albert Shiels (late of Panama Alpha Alumni fame) drew a fine word picture of the great canal scheme, dwelling particularly upon the thieving and vagabond disposition of the natives of Panama, and then fittingly exemplified his great prowess of adaptation to every community in which he has resided by excusing himself hurriedly from the banquet hall and walking away with the new tile of the president-elect. The next day it did not fit him so he was compelled to send it back to its owner. Bro. Shiels, by the way, has entirely recovered from the serious malarial fevers, which compelled his return home.

It was resolved to discontinue the maintenance of regular rooms in the city for the present, and return to the former enjoyable gatherings at the residences of members, or an occasional dinner a table-d'hote.

The menu of the dinner is appended.

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Fraternally yours,

DUDLEY R. HORTON.

PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA, PITTSBURGH.

Twenty-five loyal Phis, good and true, assembled in the parlors of the Hotel Duquesne, on the evening of the 18th of February. The annual business meeting was called to order at 6:30 P. M., by Bro. W. T. Tredway, V. P.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Geo. N. Chalfant; Vice Presidents (one from each college represented)—C. L. Smith, Allegheny; Forrest Price, Wooster; S. H. McKee, Monmouth; J. R. Bell, W. and J; T. A. Straub, Lehigh; F. S. Christy, Syracuse; R. T. McCready, Ohio Wesleyan; Chas. L. Chalfant, Lafayette; Reporter, T. C. Blaisdell, Allegheny.

After the usual routine of business, the "brethren" formed in line and marched to the dining room below, (to the stirring tune of "Solomon Levi"), when the past, present and future of Phi Delta Theta was discussed from "Blue points to Cafe and Havanas."

Bro. T. C. Blaisdell, as toast master, began "the feast of reason" after the Phi appetite had been appeased and all the speeches were full of that genuine whole-souled enthusiasm which is only found in perfection within the "Bond". The following toasts were responded to:—

TOASTS.

Toast-Master, . T. C. Blaisdell, Pa. Delta, N. Y. Epsilon.
"Before we proceed any further, hear me speak."—*Shakespeare.*
Patriotism, ... J. R. Bell, Pa. Gamma
"You must not forsake the shippe in a tempeste because you cannot rule and kepe downe the wyndes."—*More.*
The Growler, ... S. B. Groves, Ohio Delta
"He never would be missed."
The Barbarian, ... R. T. M. McCready, Ohio Beta
"I speak Latin like a lawyer and not like a schoolmaster."—*Scott.*
Mock Turtle Soup, . . . Prof. W. A. Elliott, Pa. Delta
"For neither man nor angel can discern hypocrisy."—*Milton.*
A Story or Two, . . Prof. W. C. McClelland, Pa. Gamma
"Pick out of tales the mirth, but not the sin."

Song, ... F. C. Christy, Pa. Delta, N. Y. Epsilon
"Now shall be my song,
It shall be witty, and it sha'n't be long."—*Chesterfield.*
The Lawyer of the Phis, . . J. A. Langfitt, Pa. Gamma
"The first thing we do, let's kill all the lawyers."—*Shakespeare.*
The Goat, ... P. C. Farrar, Pa. Gamma
"He that spits against the wind, spits in his own face."—*Franklin.*
The True Phi, . . . Rev. Charles L. Smith, Pa. Delta
Lear—"Ay, every inch a king."—*Shakespeare.*
The Ladies, ... R. B. Scandrett, Pa. Gamma
"Oh, you are fairer far than the chaste, blushing
morn."—*Beaumont and Fletcher.*
The Ugly Man, . . R. E. Esterly, Ohio Delta, N. Y. Alpha
"Cheated of feature by dissembling nature."—*Shakespeare.*
Song, ... J. R. Wright, Pa. Gamma
"A careless song does not misbecome a monarch."—*Walpole.*
My First Cigar, ... W. T. Tredway, Pa. Gamma
"For thy sake, tobacco, I
Would do any thing but die."—*Lamb.*
The Parson, ... Chas. L. Chalfant, Pa. Alpha
"He of their wicked ways shall men admonish."—*Milton.*
Phi-ism, ... W. W. Case, Pa. Delta
"A mystic bond of brotherhood makes all men one."—*Carlyle.*

For three hours the banquet hall rang with music and laughter and a "sound of revelry by night."

At 12 P. M. with a rousing "here's to Phi Delta Theta" and a farewell "grip" all around the table, we adjourned with the hope that next year we may meet again around the festal board and again renew our vows of loyalty to Phi Delta Theta.

Yours in the Bond,

GEO. N. CHALFANT, *Reporter.*

PENNSYLVANIA BETA, PHILADELPHIA.

On the evening of Thursday, Feb. 19, 1891, the Pennsylvania Beta Alumni chapter held its annual banquet at the Colonnade Hotel. Twenty-two loyal Phi's were gathered around the table and enjoyed themselves to the utmost.

At a short business meeting the following officers were elected to serve for the ensuing year: President, G. Oram Ring, M. D.; Secretary, Lester E. Schoch, M. D.; Treasurer, P. N. K. Schwenk, M. D.; Chaplain, Rev. F. H. Moore; Warden, C. S. Potts, M. D.; Reporter, M. H. Fehnel, A. C.

Our new members are Prof. Oliver Mordorf, Pennsylvania Epsilon; W. E. Marter, Pennsylvania Epsilon; L. S. Henkel, Virginia Alpha; J. G. Klemm, Jr., Pennsylvania Zeta.

After the good things set before us had disappeared, and we were enjoying our cigars, Bro. W. F. Smalley, Esq., the toast-

master, called for responses to the toasts: "The Fraternity," M. G. Gull, M. D.; "Pennsylvania Beta Alumni," G. Oram Ring, M. D.; "Pennsylvania Zeta," S. Terashima; "Phi's in Medicine," C. A. Oliver, M. D.; "The Rod and Chain," B. B. Lathbury; "Our Ministers," Rev. T. R. Moore; "The Ladies," J. M. West; "Our New Benedict," P. N. K. Schwenk, M. D.; "The Law," Harry Emmons, Esq.; "The Bond," Prof. Oliver Mordorf. Impromptu speeches were made by a number of others. All the speakers were overwhelmed by applause and by the sarcastic comments of their hearers.

The different chapters were represented as follows: Pennsylvania Zeta, Bros. Oliver, Potts, Ring and Schwenk, alumni; Lathbury, Latta, West, Moore, J. C., Haden and Terashima, undergraduates; Pennsylvania Alpha, Bros. Radcliffe, Tull, Smalley, Richards and Moore, F. H; Pennsylvania Epsilon, Bros. Marter and Mordorf; Pennsylvania Eta, Bros. Patterson and Fehnel; Virginia Alpha, Bros. Henkel and Schoch; New York Epsilon, Bro. Comfort.

The chapter house question was thoroughly discussed and a committee appointed to meet a similar committee from the undergraduate chapter, for the consideration of the means by which a house could be secured.

Yours in the Bond,

M. H. FEHNEL.

ALABAMA ALPHA, MONTGOMERY.

Again Alabama Alpha Alumni must plead guilty of not having kept Alumni Day as she ought to have done, but after some effort to arrange the matter, it was given up. It has been nearly a year since the alumni of this city have met together, but they are never unmindful of the fact that they are Phis, and they have an interest in the grand old Fraternity. The interest in daily life which the Phis show for each other is a good indication that they have not forgotten the pledges taken in the days of college life, and they have also shown their loyalty by responding liberally to any fraternity cause which called upon their financial interests. We hope to be in Atlanta at the National Convention in full force and help to show that the fires of Phi Delta Thetaism are not suffering in the Southland.

The personnel of the chapter has not changed much during the past year. M. P. LeGrand, Jr. still remains Vice-President of both the Bank of Montgomery and the Commercial Fire Insurance Company; Alva Fitzpatrick, is now Secretary of the National Building and Loan Association of this city; Dr. Glenn Andrews is making rapid strides in his profession and the confidence of the people; Dr. B. J. Baldwin still grows in the favor

of the people of the entire state as an expert oculist. He h recently by the death of his wife's father, Josiah Morris, t millionaire banker of this city, become one of the wealthiest m in this state. John Gay represents several fire insurance com nies; W. Joe Orum is a partner in a cotton warehouse compan Joe Calloway and W. E Holloway are practicing law. Hollow has recently taken unto himself a better half. Charles A. Gun is managing his father's large cotton interests with headquart in this city; Herbert Sayre is teller in Moses Bros. bank; V Joe Boothe is captain of the Montgomery Greys and clerk in t Probate Court office; Stewart Neff is a partner in a plumbi establishment doing a good business; John J. Mickle has mov to Selma; Ben Baldwin is reading law and will return to the U versity of Virginia in the fall; John Elmore is making his ma as an attorney; Joe Herron is with his father in the wholesa grocery business; Marshall B. Jones, whose father was recent inaugurated governor of Alabama, is in his office; Fred S. B is with Tomkins & Troy, attorneys; and W. E. Chisholr Charles Gay and others are in the city, while others are droppi in all the time so that it is rather difficult to keep up with them

During the session of the legislature during December, Jan ary and February, we had the pleasure of frequently meeti Ben J. Elmore and Col. W. W. Quarles, the former Clerk of t House and the latter the fighting member from Dallas count Brother Elmore has been here before in the same position, b Quarles was winning his spurs. He left the capital city with state-wide reputation. Other Phis come and go and we a always glad to see them. We invite all visiting Phis to mak themselves known to some of the members named above, who place of business can easily be learned.

Fraternally yours,

FRED S. BALL.

OHIO BETA, AKRON.

In accordance with the provision of the G. C. Ohio Bet Alumni held a meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 25th. It was nc practicable to hold one on the 18th as directed.

The following officers were elected: President, Bro. F. A Schumacher; Vice-president, Bro. R. B. Carter, M. D; Secre tary, Bro. J. D. Pardee; Chaplain, Bro. C. Ellwood Nash, D D.; Reporter, Bro. W. J. Emery, M. D.

Our ranks have been somewhat thinned during the last year not by ravages of disease but by calls to larger fields and mor lucrative positions. Bro. F. S. Pixley has accepted editoria work on the Chicago Mail. Bro. H. H. Henry has hung out a

advocate's shingle with Foster & Lawrence, Att'ys, Cleveland. Bro. Edwin F. Cone is pursuing a course of chemistry in the Case School of Applied Sciences. And last, since the holding of our meeting, our Rev. Bro. C. Ellwood Nash, Illinois Zeta, '75, has accepted a call to Brooklyn, N. Y. The accompanying slip is an editorial from the *Beacon and Republican* of March 6, 1891:

Residents of Akron and vicinity will learn with regret that the Rev. C. Ellwood Nash, pastor of the Universalist Church, has decided to accept the call recently tendered him by the First Universalist Church of Our Father, of Brooklyn, N. Y. Mr. Nash has been a power of good in this community and has been notably successful in building up, and establishing a deep interest in, the Universalist Church in this city. He is a strong and original thinker, a fine sermonizer, an eloquent pulpit orator and a man whose views command respect even from those whose opinions are widely divergent from those which he holds. All good citizens, irrespective of church affiliations, will regret his departure from our midst, but will join with the members of his congregation in wishing him and his family the greatest measure of success, happiness and prosperity in his new field of labor.

Though our numbers have been reduced we are yet a valiant band. We now have with us Bro. J. Asa Palmer who since graduating in '89, has been in Denver, Colorado. Bro. W. J. McCreary who has been in Boston for the last four years will return to this city and again be found among us.

Under the topics proposed by the G. C. for discussion all the Bros. made remarks. All expressed themselves favorable toward Pan-hellenism but though working nice in theory was quite hard to practice among active chapters. An effort, however, will be made to bring about a Pan-hellenic meeting of all alumni Greeks in the city.

The responsibility for the Indifferent Alumnus was placed partly upon himself and partly upon the active chapters. He himself is responsible in that he gets away from all affiliation, makes no report concerning himself, nor does he take the SCROLL. The active chapter is responsible for him in that its reporter fails in his duty. When the Alumnus takes the SCROLL and looks in vain for a letter from his own chapter his interest naturally wanes and his indifference increases.

Yours in the Bond,

W. J. EMERY, M. D.

EPSILON PROVINCE CONVENTION AND INDIANAPOLIS ALUMNI.

The members of Epsilon province met in convention at the rooms of the Indianapolis Literary Club, March 13. The president being absent the convention was called to order by Bro.

Neff of Indiana Zeta. In the absence of the secretary
French of Indiana Alpha was appointed to fill the v
Brother Miller of Indiana Gamma was chosen president
convention and delivered a neat address containing man
ble suggestions, on taking the chair. Bro. Fesler spok
half of the president, expressing his regret at being unab
present. The different chapters were then reported as fc

Ohio Alpha by Bro. Heistand, Ohio Delta by Bro. Lon
Epsilon by Bro. Findley, Ohio Zeta by Bro. Lindenber
Gamma by Bro. Woodworth, Michigan Gamma by Bro
Indiana Alpha by Bro. Bamberger, Indiana Gamma by
Haas, Indiana Delta by Bro. Payne, Indiana Epsilon
De Prez, Indiana Zeta by Bro. Preston.

The reports all gave evidence of great progress and pr
and showed each chapter to be in a flourishing condition

The convention then listened to an address by Brother
K. Elliott. His subject was "The Great English Stat
This took the place of the literary exercises ordinarily gi
members, elected by the convention. The change prove
a great improvement for the address was an admirable c
was listened to with great interest. The same plan was
mously decided upon for the next convention. It was
that, on account of the excellence of the address, Bro.
be requested to submit it to the province president fo
cation.

A committee consisting of Bros. Mark, Long and N
appointed to determine on the time and place of next con
They reported in favor of holding it at Akron, Ohio at t
of the State Contest. The report was adopted.

A vote of thanks was given the Indianapolis Literary C
their kindness in tendering the use of their rooms as a p
holding the convention.

Moved that the president of Epsilon province be emp
to appoint a president and vice president for the comin
Bro. Joseph S. Jenckes, being called upon made a few r
after which the convention adjourned.

The company then repaired to the banquet hall adj
where Nickum, in his usually elegant style, served a su
six courses, replete with all the delicacies it was possi
the cuisine to produce. The scene beautiful in itself, w
dered still more so by the presence of many Phi sisters.
mality was lost sight of, and meats, sauces, ices and cakes
disappeared. The repast concluded, those present were
for the toasts, which were of supreme excellence. The
was "Then they will talk—ye Gods! how they will
Judge Byron K. Elliott, Ohio Alpha, '52, was toast mast

royally well did he fulfill his duties. The toasts, in their order, were as follows:

"The Lawyers," . . .	Rev. Dr. Jenckes, Ind. Alpha, '56
"The News Gatherers," .	Mayor Jas. L. Mitchell, Ind. Alpha, '58
"Ohio and Michigan," . . .	Henry Little, Ind. Beta, '91
"The Hoosiers," . . .	Ed. L. Findley, Ohio Epsilon, '91
"The Parsons,"	Robert A. Brown, Ind. Delta, '84
"The Province President," . .	Hugh Miller, Ind. Gamma, '88

Bro. J. B. Elam, Ohio Alpha, '70, was also called upon, and in his own happy way, added a few remarks.

These exercises finished, the assembly adjourned to the Oratorical Contest, there to cheer on two Phi brothers, each striving for honors.

Thus ended the Province Convention. Its success was due entirely to the untiring efforts of the Indianapolis Phis; and our best wish for the next convention is, that it may be as successful as the one just ended.

Illinois Alpha, Chicago.

The Alumni Phi's of Chicago met in banquet at the Auditorium Hotel, at 6 o'clock on the evening of Alumni Day, and proceeded to enjoy themselves for about five hours as only Phi's can.

At the business meeting in the early part of the evening the following officers were elected for the coming year: President, Bro. Gwynn Garnett, who is well known as a prominent member of our judiciary; Secretary, Bro. A. R. Heckman; Treasurer, Bro. J. E. Crews; Reporter, Bro. A. F. Moore; Warden, Bro. J. H. Hopkins. Bro. C. H. Wells was chosen delegate to the National Convention at Atlanta.

Considerable interest was manifested in the question as to whether we should have mroe than one banquet during the year. It was finally decided that a single banquet, and that an exceedingly elaborate affair, is more to be desired than a larger number, which are apt to be smaller in regard to attendance.

Adjourning to the magnificent dining room of the hotel, we proceeded to discuss the following menu:

Blue Points,
Cream of Celery,
Baked Blue Fish in Port Wine,
Celery, Potato Parisienne,
Patties a la Reine,
Fillet of Beef Larded,
Mushroom Sauce,
Baked Mashed Potatoes,
Sweetbreads in Cases,

Roman Punch,
Broiled Quail on Toast,
Cresses,
Ice Cream
Assorted Cake,
Roquefort and Edam Cheese,
Fruit,
Coffee,
Cigars.

The repast having received full justice, the real business of the evening was introduced by our retiring president, Bro. Frederick A. Smith, who gave an excellent address of congratulation and advice. Although Bro. Smith was the oldest member present, he has shown himself to be one of the most loyal and enthusiastic Phi's in Chicago. As president of the Chicago Bar Association, member of the Union League Club and senior member of one of the most important firms of attorneys in the city, his business and social engagements are very numerous; but he has always found time to attend every meeting of the Chicago Alumni chapter since its reorganization in '89.

Our distinguished brother, General J. C. Black, was to have given an address on "Our Alumni," but unfortunately he was called away the day before the banquet. Bro. Burke Draper, of Northwestern University responded to the sentiment "Illinois Alpha," in a very able manner.

"Panhellenism locally and generally," was treated in a spirited manner by Bro. Geo. E. Dutton, Illinois Zeta, '89.

"Our extension policy; respects in which it affects the Alumni, and in which it may be affected by them" was a topic for general discussion and Bro. J. E. Crews, Indiana Zeta, in leading the discussion, outlined the policy of Phi Delta Theta and showed its advantages as compared to the so-called conservative polices of other fraternities.

Bro. J. E. McDowell, Iowa Beta, made a very pronounced hit in his response to the sentiment, "The indifferent Alumnus; who is responsible for him?" His witty remarks and anecdotes to illustrate his "dogments" kept the banqueters in constant merriment. Finally, assuming a more serious manner, he gave some advice, which, if followed, will insure a larger attendance at subsequent banquets.

We have never made sufficient effort to persuade our more noted members, such as Judge C. C. Kohlsaat, Judge S. P. McConnell, Prof. David Swing, Judge Gwynn Garnett and Gen. John C. Black to attend our banquets. We hope and are quite confident that we *will* have them with us another year.

The program was pleasantly enlivened by songs from the Phi song book. We adjourned, feeling that the Chicago Phi's, indi-

vidually and as a chapter, had derived much benefit from having observed Alumni Day.

ALLEN F. MOORE, Reporter,
I. R. HITT, JR.

MINNESOTA ALPHA AND BETA, MINNEAPOLIS AND ST. PAUL.

The membership of the Northwestern Alumni Association has been somewhat thinned by removals, but a goodly number of St. Paul and Minneapolis Phis got together to celebrate Alumni Day and renew college memories and enthusiasms across the banquet board. Last year the meeting was held in St. Paul, so this year the Minneapolis brethren had their turn and entertained the Association. The banquet was held at the Hotel West—sufficient attestation for all who are acquainted with that admirable hostelry that the guests were well and completely filled up.

Bro. Leonard A. Straight of St. Paul, acted as Master of Ceremonies and developed capabilities hitherto unsuspected even by those intimately acquainted with him. By actual count he told more stories than any other speaker, although the average age of those of his chief accomplice, Bro. David F. Simpson was slightly in excess.

All the subjects suggested by the G. C. were discussed, the chief interest, however, centering in that of the "Indifferent Alumnus." It was generally agreed that once a year is not sufficient for the alumni to rub up against each other if an active and living interest is to be maintained in fraternity and college and that more frequent, if less formal meetings, which should not neglect the "spread" element, would be a step in the right direction. Of course the college paper and SCROLL were given due credit in their work of maintaining the interest of the alumni. One suggestion made was that each active member of the fraternity, during his senior year or before graduation, should be required by constitutional provision to subscribe for the SCROLL to the extent of five dollars' worth, in order that a positive hold might be obtained on him in this regard at least.

The officers elected for the ensuing year were: President, L. A. Straight, I. W. U., '87; Reporter, W. F. Hunt, O. S. U., '87; Treasurer, W. R. Brown, U. of M., '88; Historian, W. H. Hallum, W. U., '86. Fraternally,

WILLIAM F. HUNT.

UTAH ALPHA, SALT LAKE CITY.

As mentioned in the last SCROLL, the resident members of Phi Delta Theta in Salt Lake City have effected the organization of an Alumni Chapter. A preliminary meeting was held on Feb.

11th, at which were present nine Phi's. At this meeting no officers were elected, as the Charter had not yet arrived. A committee, however was appointed to ascertain if there were other Phi's in the city and to make arrangements for a banquet on Alumni Day.

On the evening of the 18th we met at the Walker House and proceeded at once to the election of officers and to complete a permanent organization. Immediately afterwards we repaired to the banquet hall and proceeded to do justice to the following menu:

[From Blue Points, 16 courses, to Coffee and Cigars.]

The Rev. David Utter, of the First Unitarian Society of this city, presided at the head of the table, and was much complimented on the manner in which he carved the fowl. The repast was enlivened by many anecdotes of college life and European travel.

When the board had been cleared and cigars lighted, and the wine began to flow, Bro. Utter announced the following toasts: "The Fraternity," "Salt Lake City," "The Ladies," "Utah Alpha Alumni," "The Greeks." The responses to which were clever and witty.

During the discussion of the subjects announced for the evening, it was decided that our chapter should revive a scheme (which had fallen through) to hold a Panhellenic banquet in this city, feeling sure that our strong organization would assure success, and hoping that we might be a nucleus around which would form other Alumni associations.

In regard to our extension policy, while expressing the utmost confidence in the General Council, it was unanimously resolved that we would not further any petition from the University of Deseret for an undergraduate chapter in that institution until such a time as the Senior class had completed the fourth reader and cast aside their endowment robes.

A lively discussion then arose between Bros. Utter, '67, and Breeze, '74, both of Butler University, as to which was the more indifferent Alumnus. The result was a draw. After this the meeting closed in a burst of song, leaving only the lustre of a waning memory.

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Concerning our members, would say, that Bro. Utter has just come to Salt Lake from Chicago, where for several years he was pastor. Informed me that the only Phi he had knowingly spoken to since leaving college in '67 was a cousin. He was greatly surprised to learn that there was an alumni chapter in Chicago. He is very popular here and draws the largest "Gentile" congregation in this city.

J. M. Breeze came here a year ago from Leadville, Colorado. He had not seen a Phi for years and said it made his heart glad to be with Phis once more. Bro. Breeze is a lawyer.

W. H. Whitney is a C. E. and his specialty is making city maps. All the large wall, paper and pocket ones, as well as others used here bear his name. But for us his "point" is his fine tenor voice and jovial fellowship.

E. G. Rognon is our youngest Phi, being a '90 man from De Pauw. He says he has come to Salt Lake to stay, being stuck on the climate. As he is a dealer in real estate, we hope he wont be stuck by anything else out here.

J. C. E. King is our Doctor and it was only upon his assurance that he'd furnish the pills that some of us staid by the menu to the end.

D. R. Gray is local agent for the Southern Pacific System of Rail Roads and is to be congratulated because fortune kindly granted him the privilege of being entertained at Cal. *A* house in Berkeley.

E. O. Gates is teller at the National Bank of the Republic. We look upon him as our moneyed man.

For E. M. Fowler we have the greatest hopes. For his fortune it is to be in the employ of one of Brigham Young's numerous sons. 'Tisn't every Phi that can commune daily with even the son of a Prophet.

G. F. Putnam is another of our lawyers and says the future is before him.

S. P. Armstrong was taller than ever before the night of our banquet, for not only had he recently won a case in the U. S. Supreme Court—the decision reversing all the decisions in the lower courts,—but had that very day won a criminal case, not only proving an alibi for his client, but fairly proving his client wasn't his client, wasn't himself, in fact didn't exist and never intended to exist.

C. H. Dayton, formerly a C. E., has left that profession, to become one of the proprietors of the Utah Steam Laundry, undoubtedly considering that there was more money in returning odd cuffs and buttonless shirts than in squinting through the transit.

O. R. Young, however, believes otherwise, and daily can be found working out the survey for our new city water works.

A. E. de Ricqles is in the real estate market, a member of our Board of Trade, or with gun over shoulder is tramping through the sage brush for the wary sage hen.

W. H. Erb is manager of the Metropolitan Hotel, a position we all desire for the opportunities it grants of meeting our traveling Phi brethren.

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SAMUEL J. FLICKINGER,
New York Alpha, '76,
Editor of Daily Ohio State Journal.

As for W. S. Ferris, the less said the better, at any rate if he had said less you wouldn't now be wishing such were the case.

I know of two more Phis being located in this city, and hope to be able to meet them and have them join our organization at our coming meeting.

What is the price for a page "ad." in the SCROLL for a year? Or for a fraction of a page? It is my purpose to have our chapter put a small ad. in the SCROLL, calling the fraternity's attention to our lively existence and making them feel that when passing thro' Zion it is their duty to stop a while and give us the pleasure of meeting brother Phis from the outer world. In this ad. I would give the address of several of our members, so that there would be no difficulty in finding some of us and I am sure we could entertain them in a way and so show them the sights of this city that they would feel fully repaid.

Yours in the Bond,
W. H. ERB,
WILLARD S. FERRIS.

PERSONALS.

Illinois *Z*—Edwin C. Ayres, '85, is at Afton, Iowa.

Indiana *Γ*—J. C. Morrison, '88, is practicing law at Frankfort, Ind.

Indiana *Γ*—E. A. Gongwer, '88, is practicing law at Akron, Ohio.

New Hampshire *Δ*—C. S. Currier, '89, is a Civil Engineer in Virginia.

Iowa *Δ*—Will H. Spurgeon, '89, is practising law at Saguache, Colorado.

Vermont *Δ*—Bro. Dean, '90, is engaged in the insurance business in Chicago.

Indiana *Γ*—W. W. Buchanan, '88, is with Bowen, Merrill & Co., Indianapolis.

New Hampshire *Δ*—E. E. Chalmers, '87, is practicing law at Decatur, Alabama.

Vermont *Δ*—Bro. Ralph Wilbur, '90, is in the law department of Boston University.

New Hampshire *A*—D. S. Rueosky, '87, is in the Hartford Theological Seminary.

Texas *Γ*—Bro. S. J. Drake, '90, is engaged in the pastoral work near Llano, Texas.

Wisconsin *A*—J. W. McKeever, '59, is Congregational minister at Ludington, Mich.

New Hampshire *A*—Geo. W. Earle, '90, is teaching in a Seminary at New Preston, Ct.

Wisconsin *A*—C. M. Hall, '82, is cashier of the Bank of Wallace, Wallace, Idaho.

Iowa *A*—Ed. H. Scott, '89, is a member of the Senior Class of the Boston Law School.

Missouri *B*—Geo. Miller, Jr., '90, is reading law with Gates & Wallace of Kansas City, Mo.

Texas *Γ*—Bro. S. J. Thomas, '88, was recently re-elected City Attorney of Commanche, Texas.

New Hampshire *A*—Emerson Rice, '87, is Sub-Master in the High School at Hyde Park, Mass.

California *A*—C. E. Washburn, '76, is a physician and writer at 249 West 7th St., Cincinnati, O.

Vermont *A*—Frank O. Sinclair, '82, is engaged in general engineering work at Knoxville, Tenn.

Pennsylvania *Δ*—Wm. Bignell, '88, is teaching at the Philadelphia Boys Manual Training School.

Missouri *B*—R. G. Keller, '90, is now connected with the American Lumber Co., of Milner, Ark.

Vermont *A*—Don F. Andrews, '89, who is teaching in Derby, spent part of his short vacation in this city.

Missouri *B*—L. J. Mitchell, '85, now fills the chair of mathematics in Austin College, Sherman, Texas.

Missouri *B*—E. H. Lyle, '88, holds the position of vice president of Synodical Female College, Fulton, Mo.

Missouri *B*—Geo. F. Ayers, '87, stands at the head of the senior class in McCormick Theological Seminary.

Missouri *B*—J. E. Crawford, '88, owns a large interest in the well known Crawford Lumber Co., of Louisiana, Mo.

Texas *Γ*—Bro. J. M. Mathis, '90, is employed as Clerk in the State Senate during its present session.

California *A*—H. A. Melvin, '89, is Justice of the Peace of Brooklyn township, Alameda county, Cal.

Vermont *A*—George S. Leavenworth, '85, is at Knoxville, Tenn., engaged in general engineering work.

Wisconsin *A*—O. A. Palmer, '60, is a mining engineer and U. S. Mineral Surveyor at Salt Lake City, Utah.

Ohio *B*—Byron Dawley, '88, is married and living in Louisville, Ky., where he is attending medical lectures.

California *A*—L. R. Hewitt, '90, is managing clerk in the law office of Wells, Monroe & Lee, Los Angeles, Cal.

New Hampshire *A*—N. E. B. Morrill, '89, is with the Rochester Loan and Banking Association, Rochester, N. H.

Texas *Γ*—Bro. Frank Marrs, '88, is keeping books for the wholesale firm of Don Teas & Co., at Beeville, Texas.

Missouri *B*—L. O. Rodes, M. D., '88, is now having splendid success in the practice of his profession at Mexico, Mo.

New Hampshire *A*—Geo. W. Shaw, '87, is Instructor in English in the Pacific University, Forest Grove, Oregon.

New Hampshire *A*—G. F. Sparhawk, '89, graduates from the Dartmouth Thayer School of Civil Engineering this month.

California *A*—Lieut. W. S. Alexander, '77, has returned from Europe and is again located at Fort Adams, Newport, R. I.

New Hampshire *A*—F. O. Grover, '90, has a position in the Military Academy at Macon, Mo. Salary $100 per month.

Illinois *A*—H. A. Plimpton, '60, is secretary of the Perris Printing Co. and of the Perris Irrigation District, Perris, Cal.

Indiana *A*—John C. Shirk, '81, is of the firm of Goodwin & Shirk, owners of "The Brookville Bank," at Brookville, Ind.

Missouri *B*—Chas. F. Richmond, '86, has lately removed to El Paso, Texas, in answer to a ministerial call from that place.

Iowa *A*—Dr. Will R. Gray, later of Iowa Beta, has in one year's time built up an extensive practice at Fair Haven, Wash.

Iowa *A*—Dr. J. P. Stanley after two years at I. W. U. and a medical course in Louisville, Ky., is practising at Plattsville, Iowa.

Vermont *A*—Bro. Hayden, '83, has been elected Grand Chief Templar of the Independent Order of Good Templars of this State.

New Hampshire *A*—B. F. Simonds, '88, is instructor in Latin, History and Sciences in Pottsville High School, Pa. Salary $1250.

Indiana *Γ*—Martin A. Morrison, '83, was for the third time reading clerk in the Indiana legislature during the session just closed.

Indiana *Γ*—T. R. Kautz, '87, W. W. Buchanan, '88, and Lay Noble, '90, are with the Bowen-Merrill Co., book dealers, Indianapolis.

Indiana *Γ*—J. A. Kantz, '85, editor of the Kokomo *Gazette-Tribune*, was last week elected president of the Indiana Republican Press Club.

New Hampshire *A*—Joseph Morgan, '89, is instructor in Mathematics and Literature in the High School at Dallas, Texas. Salary $1,100.

Wisconsin *A*—F. A. Geiger, '88 and law, '90, is in a law office in Milwaukee. His address is care the Belvedere Block, Grand Avenue.

California *A*—W. O. Morgan, '87, is special agent of the Phœnix and Home Insurance Companies with headquarters at Los Angeles, Cal.

Maine *A*—O. L. Beverage, '87, is teaching at Attleboro, Mass., and at the same time studying at Brown University for the degree of Ph. D.

Indiana *Γ*—James C. Norris, '76, was re-elected president of the Indiana Commercial Travelers' Association at the last convention of that order.

Missouri *B*—T. N. Wilkerson, '86, now located at Fulton, Mo., in the practice of law, is fast becoming prominent among those of his profession.

Iowa *A*—Ed. S. Hovijhorst, '87, having completed a Theological course in Boston School of Theology in '90 is this year stationed at Moberly, Mo.

New York *B*—J. Ed. Swanker, '87, is with the Rochester Bridge & Iron Works, and "is at home to all Phi's" at 11 Matthew St., Rochester, N. Y.

New Hampshire *A*—E. P. Pitman, '86, was valedictorian of the class of '91, Dartmouth Medical college, and now has a position in the Boston Hospital.

Texas *Γ*—Bro. J. A. Caton, '90, holds a good position in the First National Bank of Detroit, Texas. He expects to enter Eastman College next month.

New Hampshire *A*—R. S. Ely, '88, Dartmouth Medical college '91, has accepted a position as assistant physician at the Brattleboro (Vt.) Insane Asylum.

Indiana *Γ*—John Arthur Kautz, '85, was promoted from vice president to president of the Indiana Republican Editors' Association at the mid-winter meeting.

Missouri *B*—J. W. Hinnitt, W. S. Foreman, W. H. Ferguson and W. Mc. A. Langtry, all of '89, are attending the McCormick Theological Seminary, of Chicago.

Ohio *Z*—Fred. S. Ball, '88, stenographer for Tompkins & Troy, Montgomery, Ala., and president of Gamma Province, is president of the Montgomery Y. M. C. A.

Illinois *Z*—Shirley C. Ransom, '78, was elected Superintendent of Schools for Knox county at the last election. Mr. and Mrs. Ransom have gone on a trip to Florida.

Missouri *B*—C. A. McPheeters, '90, is professor of Latin and Greek in Avalon college, Avalon, Mo., having been elected to the position over a large number of candidates.

Kansas *A*—T. J. Schall is still with the *World* of Hiawatha, Kan., and besides the good work he does for his own paper he finds time to read the SCROLL from cover to cover.

Vermont *A*—The January number of the Temperance Herald contains a sketch of the life and a portrait of Chauncey H. Hayden, '83, who is Grand Chief Templar of Vermont.

Ohio *A*—Horace Sumner Whittaker, '68, is a commission merchant with office at 34 Chamber of Commerce, Cincinnati, Ohio. The firm name is "H. S. Whittaker & Co."

Virginia *A*—President Wm. M. Graybill, of the Synodical College, Rogersville, Tenn., accompanied by his wife, spent some days with Mrs. D. C. Shanks recently at Salem, Va.

Vermont *A*—Herbert D. Hoffnagle, '84, who has been principal of Beeman Academy at New Haven, Vt., for several years, has recently accepted a fine position as teacher in Elizabethtown, N. Y.

Vermont *A*—H. C. Chase, '88, who has been studying law in Chicago, was recently admitted to the bar, standing one of the first in a class of sixty-three. Address, 812 Chamber of Commerce.

Iowa *A*—C. G. Coddington, '90, is now one of the editors of *The Randolph Times*, Randolph, Neb. By his untiring enthusiasm he is well known by western Phis and is Vice President of Zeta Province.

Illinois *Z*—Lyman McCarl, '85, has been speaking eloquently for the Democracy this fall. Mac will doubtless run for Congress in a few years when Hon. Scott Wike shall have tired of Congressional honors.

Illinois *Z*—Jay L. Hastings, '76, of Galesburg, Ill., visited his parents in West Bay City, Mich., during the past summer, and while there had the pleasure of looking over the new coal mines in the vicinity of the city.

Ohio *B*—Rev. James F. Steele, '84, now has charge of the Second M. E. Church at Newark, Ohio. March 15th the order of P. O. S. of A. attended the Church in a body to hear a special sermon, prepared for the occasion.

California *A*—D. Edward Collins, '74, is likely to succeed his father, recently deceased, as superintendent of the Mountain View Cemetery Association, of Oakland. Pending action of the Directors he is acting superintendent.

Illinois *Δ*—Will Phelps, '88, stopped in this city Saturday, October 25th, on his way from the West, and spent the next day at his home in Elmwood. He is traveling for the Brush Electric Light Company, of Chicago.—*Coup d'etat.*

New Hampshire *A*—Dr. Chas. A. Eastman, '87, government physician at Pine Ridge Agency, S. D., has been appointed Surgeon U. S. A. His engagement to the Berkshire poetess, Miss Elaine Goodale, has been made public.

Iowa *A*—Wm. M. McFarland, '73, is now Iowa's efficient Secretary of State. For a number of years closely identified with Iowa politics, the people have shown their appreciation of his worth by calling him to the honorable position.

Maine *A*—Rev. N. S. Burbank, '89, has decided to accept his call to the pastorate of the Baptist church in Revere, Mass., and removed to that field last week. His work at Bowdoinham has been graciously blessed says the *Zion's Advocate.*

Wisconsin *A*—Granville S. P. Stillman, '59, who was r
on our rolls as dead has been found in New York Cit
address is 63 West 55th St. Brother Stillman was a chart
ber of Wisconsin Alpha with W. G. Jenckes, '57, and V
Vilas, '58.

Pennsylvania *A*—Albert H. Welles, '89, who when in
frequently visited Michigan Alpha at Ann Arbor, is now
Agent for the Parke, Davis & Co., Manufacturing Chem
Druggists. His personal address is 248 Schermerho
Brooklyn, N. Y.

Ohio *A*—The readers of the *Voice* will be glad, thou
surprised, to hear that Chas. K. Carpenter, '89, is "el
himself right to the front" in the world of journalism. Th
is that he has again received promotion on the Editorial
the *New York Tribune.— Wooster Voice.*

Maine *A*—The State Supt. of Education has appointed
Watson, '87, as one of the delegates from South Carolina
National Educational Association to assemble in Toront
ada, July 14 to 17. Mr. Watson is Prof. of Physics and
istry in Furman University, Greenville, S. C.

Vermont Alpha extends her hearty congratulations
Cooper, who was married Jan. 3d, to Miss Edith L. K
Putnamsville, Vt. Their future home will be in Spri
Mass., where Bro. Cooper is located as the New Englanc
of the American Gas Controller and Fixture Company.

Ohio *A*—After David Swing, '55, had delivered his lec
"The Philosophy of a Novel," before a DePauw audie
January 20, he was tendered an informal reception by t
Pauw chapter of Phi Delta Theta, and with the faculty, r
the students enjoyed a closer acquaintance with Prof. Sw

New Hampshire *A*—Dr. Allen P. Richmond, '86, ph
for Stafford county, N. H., located at Dover, was m
Tuesday morning January 20, at the home of the bride's n
on Main St. Lewiston, Me., to Miss Marcia A. Young, c
iston. Mr. and Mrs. Richmond will reside at 242 Centra
Dover, N. H.

Pennsylvania *E*—Prof. Oliver Mordorf, of Pennsylvani
lon, is located at Rugby Academy in Philadelphia, and p
to keep a good lookout for the good men preparing to en
University of Pennsylvania. He has joined the Alumn
ter in the city and promises to take a lively interest in all
of Fraternity concern.

Vermont *A*—Bro. Morgan, '87, of Los Barios, California, has been elected Superintendent of the San Joaquin and Kings River Canal. This is one of the largest irrigation systems in California, the main canal being seventy-five miles long. Bro. Morgan's many friends will be pleased to learn of his appointment to such a responsible position.

Virginia *A*—Jno. G. Heilig, '73, of Salisburg, N. C., who was on a business trip to Virginia, visited Salem October 17th. He was much pleased with the improvements at the college and the rapid progress of Salem, which we are glad to learn he will make his home at an early day. His many friends here will warmly welcome him and his family.

Virginia *A*—Prof. H. L. Keene, '87, Principal of Salem Graded School, passed through a severe spell of sickness last fall and returned to his home in Loudoun county, to recuperate his health. He returned to his duties after the Christmas holidays improved in health. Prof. John P. Haislip (class of '75) had charge of his work during his absence.

Missouri *A*—W. F. Means escaped the Alliance cyclone that swept Kansas last fall, defeating Grant W. Harrington, of the *Sigma Nu Delta*, for the office of county attorney of Brown County. Resigning the office of probate judge of Horton, he removed to Hiawatha. At the February term of Court he made a record any young lawyer might be proud of.

Virginia *A*—Rev. C. N. A. Yonce, '84, son of Dr. Yonce, Wittenberg, '52, of the Faculty, who for some years past has been teaching and preaching at Moss Point, Mississippi, has accepted a call to the Lutheran church at Blacksburg, Va., and has entered upon his duties there. His many friends were glad to have him spend several days in Salem recently.

Indiana *B*—Dr. William G. Ballantine was unanimously elected president of Oberlin College at the recent annual meeting of the Board of Trustees. Since 1878, Dr. Ballantine has been connected with the College as Professor of Old Testament Language and Literature. He was initiated into Phi Delta Theta by Indiana Beta at Wabash College when a student. Later he entered Marietta College from which he graduated.

Ohio *Γ* Class of 1884—News has reached the university of the remarkable rise of Mr. George de Steiguer, formerly a graduate in history, and an LL. B. from Ohio University, who moved to Seattle, Wash., one year ago, and is already a member of the Legislature of that State. Mr. de Steiguer, is a son of Judge

Rudolph de Steiguer, who is a German baron and a nephew the late Bishop E. R. Ames.—*Johns Hopkins Univ. Item.*

Vermont *A*—F. J. Mills, '86, is assistant division engineer the Union Pacific Railway, Idaho division, at Pocatello, Ida Last summer he was in charge of a party on the U. S. Geolog Survey sent out to report upon the feasibility of irrrigating immense lava plains in Idaho, north of the Snake River. report has shed new light upon the origin of the Idaho lava b and has been highly commended by government geologists.

Ohio *Z*—Wm. F. Hunt, '87, who has been instructor in p sics and mathematics in the Barnard School for Boys at St. P Minn., has succeeded Dr. R. Arrowsmith, as principal of school. The school has been steadily growing, and is a fixt in the Academic circles in St. Paul, and the SCROLL congr lates Bro. Hunt on his promotion. The school is located in Albion Building, where Phi's can find a warm welcome from principal.

Wisconsin *A*—Wm. R. O'Niell, '87, who is at present ab to go into business in Oregon, visited the chapter in the e part of December, and within a day or two Brother Hern Fehr, lawyer in Milwaukee, spent an evening with us. Dur the holidays Brother A. A. Wright while visiting relatives in state spent a few days with those Phis who remained in Madis Before the close of vacation he was obliged to leave for his distant home in Spokane Falls, Washington.

Indiana *B*—William G. Ballantine, '69, who has been a m ber of the Oberlin College, Ohio, Faculty for a number of ye was, early in February, by a unanimous vote of the Board Trustees, elected president of the College. The office has b vacant a year, and it was determined that no election would made until the right man for this honored place was fou Though Oberlin entertains no fraternities within her bounds, we are glad that she has called a member of $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$ to be official head, and predict a successful career for the College der the guidance of Dr. Ballantine, who accepted the call a has been installed.

Pennsylvania *Z*—Dr. P. N. K. Schwenk, one of the m active members of Pennsylvania Beta Alumni chapter, and the rising eye-surgeons in Philadelphia was married very quietly February 10th to Miss Mary R. Shepp, daughter of Daniel She a well known citizen of Tamaqua, Pa. Two sisters of the br

and two lady friends acted as bridesmaids. The newly married couple made a short trip to that Mecca of all such travelers—Washington—and in the course of time (when the Doctor can induce his wife to leave her mother), they will take up their permanent home in Philadelphia. Of course we wish them great happiness and especially offer our congratulations to Mrs. Schwenk.

New York *B*—The accompanying note was recently published in biographical notes of Fulton Co. (N. Y.) representatives at "Old Union":

George C. Stewart, son of George Stewart, Esq., of Perth Center, was born at that place, prepared for college at Union Classical Institute, Schenectady, N. Y., entered the Scientific Class of 1890. Mr. Stewart was a member of the Phi Delta Theta Society and at Commencement was elected to the Sigma Xi. Only a fourth of the members of the Senior Class in Scientific and Engineering courses, who have the highest standing, are eligible to regular membership. Mr. Stewart was one of the successful competitors for the Clark essay prize. He is now studying law with C. S. Misbet of Amsterdam.

Iowa *A*—*The Cameron* (Mo.) *Observer* thus speaks of F. A. Havighorst, '89, who is located as specified:

Prof. Havighorst is one of the rising young men of the West, and Cameron is honored by having him as a citizen. The following good notice is from the Trenton *Tribune:* "Prof. Havighorst, who preached at the M. E. Church, Sunday, is a graduate of the Iowa Wesleyan University and is now Professor of Greek and German in the Missouri Wesleyan Institute at Cameron. He is a polished gentleman in every sense of the word—a thorough scholar, a profound thinker, forcible talker, and beautifully eloquent. His sermons were characteristic of him and bore the ear marks of his own originality. Rarely do Trenton audiences have the opportunity to listen to so eminent a talker."

Ohio *Z*—The following clipping is concerning S. E. Bennett, '90, who has been tendered, through Prof. Detmers of O. S. U., a similar position at Alabama Polytechnic Institute, Auburn, Alabama:

DARTMOUTH COLLEGE COMES TO OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY FOR SOME PROFESSORS.—Mr. Samuel E. Bennett, a young man who graduated from the Ohio State University last June, taking the degree of Doctor of Veterinary Science, and who is now in Hannover, Germany, taking a post-graduate course, has been offered the Professorship of Veterinary Science in Dartmouth College, Hanover, N. H., at a salary of $1,500. He is not yet twenty-two years of age, but is exceptionally gifted, and he has written for advice to Professor Detmers, his old tutor at the State University. It is probable the Dartmouth offer will be accepted. This certainly reflects credit upon the Ohio State University, and especially the Department of Veterinary Science.

Georgia Γ—C. L. Moses, '76, received the nomination for Congress in the 4th Georgia District, and of course, was elected. He was a prominent member of Φ Δ Θ when at Mercer, and has been successful in all his undertakings since. From little money he grew to possess one of the largest cotton plantations of Georgia. He is an able speaker and will more than creditably represent his District. He and Bro. S. P. Gilbert of Tennessee Alpha did some campaigning together as this old clipping shows:

A RALLY AT BUENA VISTA.—THE YEOMANRY OF MARION—SPEECHES BY CAPT. GILBERT AND MR. MOSES.—Buena Vista, October 28.—[Special.]—According to appointment, Hon. C. L. Moses, Democratic nominee of the Fourth Congressional district, addressed the citizens of Marion at this place to-day. There were present over 400 of the best citizens of Marion, and the liveliest enthusiasm prevailed. Mr. Moses was accompanied by Capt. Price Gilbert, of Columbus, Representative elect from Muscogee county. Capt. Gilbert was first introduced and made a brilliant speech, eliciting tremendous applause.

Ohio Δ—John A. Anderson, '53, formerly member of Congress from Kansas, has been appointed Consul General to Cairo, by Pres. Harrison, and the nomination confirmed by the Senate. This note speaks of a futile attempt on the part of Ex-Senator Ingalls to block the confirmation:

A RUMOR.—It was rumored last night around the Capitol that Senator Ingalls would oppose the confirmation of Representative John A. Anderson of Kansas, yesterday appointed Consul General to Cairo. It has been known for some time that strained relations existed between the virulent Senator and Mr. Anderson. It is hardly believed that Mr. Ingalls will carry his antipathy to the extreme of opposing the confirmation, particularly inasmuch as it could accomplish nothing. If Senator Ingalls should volunteer any obstruction the friends of the President would simply allow the confirmation to go over for a few days, and then the Senate would have adjourned and Mr. Ingalls as an obstacle be permanently removed. When the Senate adjourns the President can issue the commission and the nomination may go before the Senate for confirmation next winter.

Michigan Γ—O. W. Pierce, '91, is high in favor at Delaware, outside of as well as inside of Φ Δ Θ ranks. Note this from the *College Transcript:*

PIANO RECITAL OF MR. PIERCE.—The complimentary recital given by our talented young musician, Mr. Oliver W. Pierce, at the close of last term has caused so much comment in musical circles that even at this late date we cannot refrain from giving expression to the feelings which have been pent up since that evening. It was an evening of almost perfect delight, and even those who make no claim of being musicians and who are accustomed to turn a deaf ear upon the average piano music were made to realize that there was more music in the piano than they had ever suspected. The splendid rendition of the

compositions of the old masters, the classic style of interpretation of such works as those of Bach, Chopin, Wagner and Rubenstein certainly evinces a broad range of musical ability as well as masterly grasp of the resources of the piano such as is rarely found in musicians who have spent a life time in their study. The O. W. U. is to be congratulated upon having a musician of Mr. Pierce's ability in its conservatory.

Nebraska *A*—Prof. Conway MacMillan, '85, holding the Chair of Botany in the University of Minnesota, has been elected from an instructorship to a full professorship in the University. Bro. MacMillan is a Botanist who is in love with his work, and has carried on considerable original investigation in advanced botanical work. He used to write fraternity poetry occasionally, and in response sent the following as a sample of the "poetical" work he is at present engaged in. This is clipped from a reprint of an article of his in *American Naturalist*:

"In the case of phanerograms, however, the stimuli which direct the pollen tube do not seem to originate in the oösphere alone, but are apparently sent forth by the *synergidæ* or "co-workers" as well. That the pollen tube should pass between the *synergidæ* and thus penetrate to the oösphere lying directly behind them, whatever the position of the ovule itself, could scarcely take place unless some stimulus should be sent from the *synergidæ*. This peculiar habit of the pollen tube most instructively shown in anatropous or campylotropous ovules, might be explained as due to a repellent influence or stimulus sent from the *synergidæ*, in view of which the pollen tube, growing in the line of least resistance, necessarily must pass between them,—as, for example, to use a rather violent simile, the sailors of ancient days steered between Scylla and Charybdis, avoiding each as far as possible."

He may think that we disputed the ground he here takes, but we assure him that we do not—we give him a clear field in that line of botany, while we and our pill case, mineral and vegetable, pursue our own hippocratic course.

Vermont *A*—The Washington *Evening Star* of January 24th, devotes a column to the work of the House Committee for District of Columbia, of which General Grout of Vermont, is chairman. Under the heading "The presiding genius," we notice the portrait of the clerk of the committee about whom the *Star* says: To the right of the fireplace with his back to the window and a desk in front for protection, usually sits the presiding genius of the room, Tracy L. Jeffords, '86, the clerk of the committee. This Congress has been Mr. Jeffords' first experience with the District Committee, but his unfailing good temper and large fund of information and experience which he has acquired in regard to District affairs has rendered him an exceedingly valuable man to the committee. So many people daily see Mr. Jeffords and obtain information from him that it might be well

to introduce him formally. He is a Vermonter both by "de and choice." He was educated at Goddard Seminary, an University of Vermont, graduating from the latter in 1886. terward he taught mathematics at Buchtel College, O., and ing to this city graduated from the Columbian Law School in was admitted to the bar here and met with success in the tice of his profession, a considerable portion of which practi still retains. Mr. Jeffords was a captain in the District of C bia National Guard on General Ordway's staff, which po he resigned in December, 1889. Recently Mr. Jeffords a pilgrimage to Ohio, and returned richly laden with on Ohio's prettiest girls.

Wisconsin *A*—Albert P. Hanson, '86. The accompar clipping from the Milwaukee *Sentinel* relates to an old and member of Wisconsin Alpha:

MILWAUKEE BOY IN LUCK.—ALBERT HANSON, OF DENMARK PATENTEE OF AN IMPORTANT INVENTION.—Albert P. Hanson, youngest son of Dr. M. P. Hanson, who has lived at Copenh Denmark, for the last six years, will arrive in Milwaukee early month, on a visit to his family. The young man returns to Am as the patentee of an invention for which he has already been of thousands of dollars. It is a simple but ingenious little machine promises to revolutionize the art of printing colored show bills lithographs. Under the present process a separate stone for each is required, while, through the aid of this machine all the colors be printed simultaneously.

Mr. Hanson was attending the State University at Madison Dr. Anderson was appointed minister to Denmark, and he accom ied the latter to Copenhagen as his private secretary. Not long reports reached Milwaukee that Mr. Hanson and the Danish go ment did not quite agree. One dispatch sent from London was t effect that the young American had been threatened with arrest, that the United States government would be asked to interfere. T reports caused considerable stir in Milwaukee at the time, but pr to be greatly exaggerated, and nothing came of it. It was true, ever, that letters addressed to Mr. Hanson had been opened by Da officials. Denmark apologized to the American citizen, and everyt was lovely again. When Dr. Andersou returned from Copenhage secretary remained and accepted a responsible position under manager of the Copenhagen Exposition. One of his duties wa superintend the printing of books and circulars, and while thus ployed he conceived the idea which led to his important inven Capitalists were interested and it is said, have invested large sum the enterprise. Patents have been secured in Europe and Ame and Mr. Hanson now returns to look after his interests in this cou

NOTE.

Chapters which have not done so, should send a copy of their M Circular letter to the editor of the SCROLL.

POT-POURRI.

Missouri Gamma at Washington University was installed Saturday evening, March 28th. Bros. Miller and Clark represented the General Council.

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New York Epsilon Chapter gave the formal opening of her house by a reception on the afternoon and evening of March 6th. The account reached us to late for this issue, but will appear in the June SCROLL.

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The chapter of Σ N established two years ago at Tulane University has become extinct.

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Send in list of initiates for the June SCROLL at once. Give names *in full*, as the list will be of little value if this is not done.

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K Σ has established her Beta Chapter at Butler University, starting with six members. This is the third chapter of that fraternity which has received the title of Beta. It was inaugurated by the Purdue Chapter.

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It will be seen that no extended biographies of those whose portraits are given, appear in the SCROLL. All have been mentioned from time to time in our pages and their fraternity and public records are so well known that we have thought it well to introduce them in the manner that we have. May you all enjoy their acquaintance.

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The Δ Σ chapter of Σ X at the University of Kansas is no more. The chapter had become greatly reduced in membership, and nearly all the members resigned, the charter being sent in. It had been only fairly prosperous following its establishment in 1884.

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Don't forget that the SCROLL wants a copy of the Annual from your college, to be included in its fifth Review of College Annuals. This feature has been a great success owing to the hearty cooperation of most of our chapters. Can't every one come forward this time and make the fifth the best of all.

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The April *Cosmopolitan* is replete with matter of interest to readers of every class. "The Story of a war Correspondent's Life" is continued; "The Mystery of a Studio" is excellent fic-

tion; and Murat Halstead has reviewed the lives of Genera Sherman and Bismarck. Phi's will be interested in the illustratec article on "The President's Office and Home," at Washington.

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The unusual length to which Alumni Day Reports and Person als stretched out accounts for the disappearance of the depart ment of Items of Interest. There was news in abundance to bc told, and good exchanges to be reviewed. However Phi's mus wait until June to get the latest news "right from its source," anc also to learn of the excellencies embodied in late issues of thc *Sigma Chi Quarterly*, *Kappa Alpha Journal*, *Sigma Alpha Epsilor Record*, &c., &c.

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The *Century* is never dull. The March number contained ar account of "Plain Living at Johnson Island," by a Confederatc prisoner, that is a well-written war tale. Those who have not done so, should get back-numbers of the magazine in order tc read "Colonel Carter of Cartersville." It is worth while. "General Crook in the Indian Country," "The Faith Doctor," and "Memoirs of Talleyrand" are other features. The Apri number is to contain strong features.

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The bill to give the Ohio State University, the levy of one-twentieth of a mill on the State tax duplicate has passed the Legislature and is now a law. It will net the University an annual income of from $90,000 to $100,000, in addition to what it already has. It means that the O. S. U. is to be made an institution on such footing as the Universities of Michigan, Minnesota and California. We regret that the Ohio and Miami Universities, both older State institutions have not met with the good fortune of their younger sister, but heartily rejoice that the State has at last decided to build up a school commensurate in scope, with its resources, and since the State has named the O. S. U., therefore we congratulate Ohio Zeta on the brilliant future of her college.

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The management has had several calls for copies of the April, 1889, SCROLL. Any chapters or brothers that can furnish us with a few copies of this issue (Vol. XIII, No. 7.) will receive credit for the same on our books, as well as greatly oblige those who desire to complete files.

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HELLENES, ADELPHOI.

A TOAST AT THE BANQUET OF THE TOLEDO PAN-HELLENIC SOCIETY.

We meet to-night as Greeks, all Greeks.
The ties that bound our hearts in college days,
Not loosed, but since enlarged by broader views
From life's experience, now comprehend
In one vast bond all Greek fraternities.
'Twixt Alpha and Omega. Whate'er the symbols be,
They all are patents of nobility.
Shield, rhomb, cross, and monogram,
Each marks its own, a little Spartan band
That stood in solid phalanx tried and true,
A band of chosen friends, joined heart and hand,
To aid each other to the common ends—
To life's chief blessings—wisdom, honor, friends.
As, when old Asia poured her mighty hosts,
On conquest bent, upon the Grecian coasts,
The Pan-Hellenic spirit rose sublime
Above the petty jealousies of time,
Platea, Athens, Sparta, joined as one
And met Darius' hosts at Marathon,
Hurled Xerxes' throne from Aegaleos' side,
And sunk 'neath Salamis' waves the Persian pride—
The invaders beaten by united power,
Then raged again the Peloponesian war.
So, often in the strife for place and power,
Precedence, honors, smiles of maidens fair,
The college prizes, spoils, and trophies rare,
Greek joined with Greek opposed the hopeless "barb."
When soon the "barbs" were distanced in the race,
To Greeks remained the contest for first place—
And "Greek met Greek, then came the tug of war."

Thus Pan-Hellenic spirit rose and fell.
Arose in contest with the common foe
And vanished in emulation 'mongst themselves.
Commencement came. The college strife was done,
The contest with th' barbarian world begun;
And, like phillipics of Demosthenes,
Commencement speech and partings did appease
'Mongst long contending Greeks, the envious strife.
Then all took up the devious paths of life,
Strayed far asunder; but where'er they meet,
With fellow-feeling, every Greek will greet
Another Greek with Pan-Hellenic pride,
Knowing his badge denotes a brother tried.

For retrospect, a sketch of mine presents,
Mutatis mutandis, all Greeks' experience.
As strangers, at the foot of learning's throne,
'Midst gathering groups of friends we stood alone,
Sought out the duties of each hour and day,
Prepared to follow learning's tedious way.
When memories dear of home and friends began
To flood our thoughts and break our studious plan,
Some fellow-student came, and with us made
Acquaintance, gave advice and friendly aid
Most welcome to us in surroundings new,
And then, with kindly interest, from us drew
Some talk about our habits, prospects, aim;
Next, introduced his chums who happily came
Upon us as we strolled the campus walks;
And soon, within their rooms, in friendly talks,
We found them all to be congenial friends.
There we were told how social duty blends
With true pursuit of wisdom. Then we found
These friends united in fraternal bond.
And so Phi Delta Theta had from me
The pledge that binds to true Fraternity.

Then we took the vow fraternal.
Solemn rites 'midst gloom infernal
Made the act a deed supernal.
Pledged ourselves for time eternal
To the virtue of our order—
  Learning and fraternity.

By the dread initiation,
We received emancipation
From our late barbarian station.
By the ordeal gained translation
To the realms of life fraternal,
  Through the vale of mystery.

Then to mythic legends turning,
Seeking symbols of the burning
Thirst for eloquence and learning,
For which student hearts were yearning,
Found it in that ancient city—
Famous Athens by the sea.

High above her grand Parthenon,
Sacred sight to each Athenian,
Stood the city's patron Goddess
Emblem of their art and prowess,
Pallas Athene, proudly bearing
Sword and shield, armed cap-a-pie.

Th' sunlight on whose armor gleaming
Was the beacon by whose beaming,
Th' home-bound merchant, fondly dreaming
Of his home, the hearth light streaming
O'er his lares and penates,
Steered his galley to the quay.

Her last gleam a sign portending
Voyage fair, or fate impending,
To the fading triremes, blending
With the sky above them bending,
As they sailed toward far Carthago
O'er the blue Aegean sea.

Then my brothers, as a token
Of a friendship never broken,
Pinned upon my breast the golden
Sword and shield of Pallas, holden
Sacred to Athenian virtues—
Wisdom, strength, and loyalty.

Then proudly we wore them thy sword and thy aegis,
Thou Goddess of learning and virtue and might,
Oh, Pallas Athene, we strove to make worthy,
In Phi Delta Theta, our deeds in thy sight.

Meeting Greek and barbarian in fair emulation,
With friendship our solace, and wisdom the prize,
Our shield for the innocent, sword for avenging,
We were proud of our chapter of good loyal Phis.

To-night, I remember that genial companions,
In every fraternity, often I found;
So I hail as a brother, with grasp Pan-Hellenic,
Every Greek who has entered fraternity's bond.

C. H. BECKHAM, *Ohio Beta, '85.*

Toledo, April, 1891.

THE UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS.

When about thirty-five miles west of Kansas City, travelers on the Sante Fe and Union Pacific railroads have their attention attracted by a group of buildings, situated on the highest hill of the surrounding country. This hill is known as Mt. Oread, and the group of buildings, five in number, constitute the material structure of the University of Kansas. Compared with some of the older institutions of the east, the University buildings are, perhaps, not especially imposing or attractive. With the state, of which it is a part, the University has had a rapid growth. By some it is considered as a "mush-room" growth. Never, however, was an idea more fallacious.

From its inception, the care of the University has been in the hands of thoroughly competent men. The regents have been selected on account of their business ability. All of them have been college men, and most of them graduates of the leading institutions of the east. As a result of this policy, the best features of different eastern institutions have been interwoven, and now, while not wholly like any one of the eastern schools, there are points of resemblance to all.

For the future of the University there need be no fear. From the top of the main building can be seen more arable, fertile land, than there is in the combined area of Vermont and New Hampshire. There are no high hills to limit the view, and in any direction, as far as the eye can reach, is seen acre after acre of broad rolling prairie. To every inhabitant of this tract of land, the University of Kansas is a pride. It is a part of the state, a part of his very being. Every head of a family looks forward to the day when his children will be old enough to go to Lawrence.

But this small tract of land, seen from the University, is a very small portion of the great state of Kansas. The part, however, may stand for the whole. Though not able to see it from their homes, the University has the same place in the heart of all Kansans. Distance does not lessen the regard felt for the buildings, the professors and the students. Feeling in this way, it is only natural that the Kansan should be desirous of seeing the University continue to grow in importance and influence.

When the drouth and grasshoppers come, and the Legislature begins to cut appropriations, the legislators must keep their hands off the University. No increase of appropriation may be secured, but times are never so hard that the University appropriations are ever reduced.

Other states have their universities, and are proud of them, but they share their pride with other institutions. To the Kan-



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san, there is none other. The State University is the first and last in his affections. Though there are a half dozen other institutions in the state, styling themselves universities, the papers and the people speak of the institution at Lawrence as "The University." Whenever in Kansas, this phrase is heard or seen, it is known at once that the Lawrence institution is referred to. The people of Lawrence regard the University as their special charge. The homes of the most cultured and refined people of the city are open to the students, and the time spent at the University is always remembered with pleasure.

The students of the University, 500 in number, represent twelve states, and the indications are that the number of states represented will be increased during the coming year. A number of students of eastern preparatory schools, attracted by the cheapness of attending the University, have signified their intention of entering next fall. The average expenses of the students are considerably lower than at institutions of equal standing in the east.

The faculty numbers thirty-eight members, and among its number are representatives of Johns Hopkins, Harvard, Yale, Princeton, Cornell, Williams, and other leading colleges and universities.

The Chancellor of the University is Francis Huntington Snow. He has been with the University since its founding, and to his unremittent toil and labor, is due much of its present prosperity. His devotion to the University is best shown by his refusal, at an advanced salary, of a chair at Cornell. As a token of esteem, the new building of Natural History has received the name of Snow Hall. Here the result of Chancellor Snow's labors is to be seen, in what are conceded to be the finest museums of the west. The Geological collection, the buffaloes and the group of mountain goats, secured in British America last winter by Prof. Dyche, the University taxidermist, are especially valuable collections. The scarcity of the goats and the difficulty of obtaining them have caused more than one pair of covetous eyes, from eastern schools, to be turned upon them.

In the College of Liberal Arts, there are six regular courses, differing mainly in the languages pursued and the amount required. The Classical course is similar to the same course in other institutions. The Modern Literature course requires German, French and a small amount of Latin. The General Scientific course, requires for entrance, the same amount of German, French and Latin as the Modern Literature, but more science and less language is studied after entrance. The Latin Scientific course substitutes Latin for the French of the General Scientific course. The Latin English and General Language courses have recently been added to the curriculum, and as yet are in the ex-



perimental stage. In each a good knowledge of Latin and English is required for entrance. In the former the Latin is pursued until the end of the Sophomore year, and no other language is required. In the latter the Latin is discontinued, on entrance, and the study of German, French or Greek is begun.

In none of these courses, is there any required work after the Sophomore year. Before beginning the Junior year, each student must choose in some one department, four full terms work. This is termed his "major." In addition he must choose two minors and four electives, the minors to consist of two terms work each and the electives to consist of one term each, to be chosen from any department in which the student has not his major or minor.

In addition to the regular collegiate courses, there are special courses in Natural History, Civil Engineering and Electrical Engineering, each requiring four years for completion. Schools of Law, Music and Pharmacy are maintained and are in a flourishing condition. A Preparatory Medical course is also given, and it is expected soon to be able to establish a School of Medicine, with a three years course. With the present year the Sub-Freshman class will be discontinued.

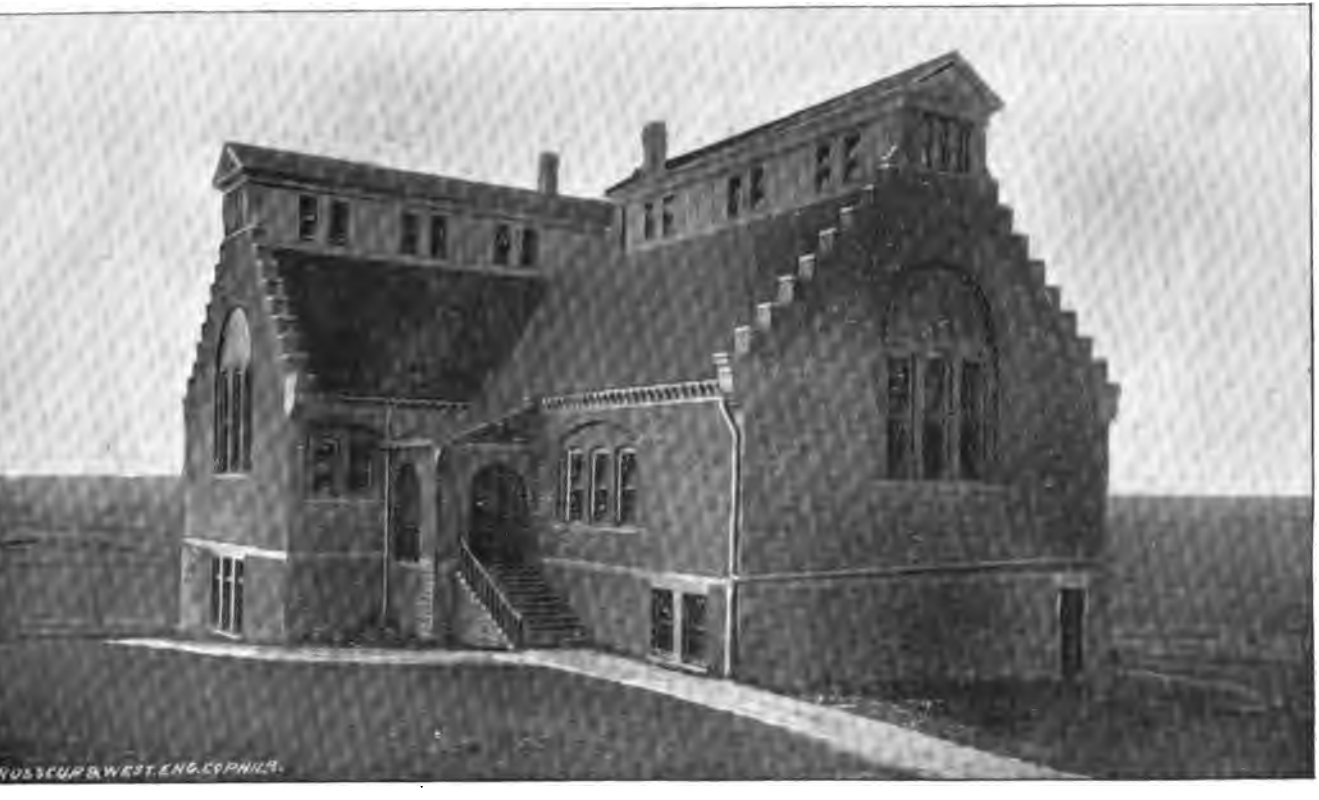
The Library of the University is not large, but is well selected and admirably adapted to the use of the student. There are now on the shelves, fourteen thousand volumes, exclusive of several thousand unbound pamphlets. There is a complete file of the Congressional reports from the First Continental Congress to date, including the Secret Journals and the Diplomatic Correspondence, a complete file of Nile's Register, and other works which are of especial value to the student of American History. The departments of the languages contain a number of rare volumes, which have been obtained only through the diligent search and labor of the professors in charge.

The University supports two papers, *The University Weekly Courier* and *The University Review*, monthly.

Most of the departments are represented by societies for the preparation and presentation of original work. There is a Literary society, drawing its membership from all departments, a Modern Language club, a Science club, a Pharmaceutical club, the Seminary of History and Political Science, a Philological club and the Kent club, (law).

The buildings and the grounds of the University are valued at $358,000, and the library and apparatus of instruction at $161,000. There is no tuition, the entire support being derived from the interest on the endowment and an annual appropriation of $75,000.

The rules for the government of the students are few. The faculty seldom inquires into a student's conduct outside of the



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class-room, but there his work must be of the best. Failure in examinations entails the severance of a student's connection with the University.

In athletics the University has been as backward as most of the institutions of the west. The past two years, however, have witnessed a great awakening of interest in this respect. The ball nine, the foot ball and tennis teams have no superiors and few rivals in the state. A small, but good gymnasium, has been fitted up, and about $1,500 have been raised by subscription, for obtaining grounds for outdoor sports.

The first fraternity at the University, *B θ Π*, was founded in 1872, and since that time the sway of fraternities has been almost complete. For a number of years the barbs were very aggressive and enthusiastic meetings were held, at which the special order was "ways and means" for the destruction of fraternities. The fraternities were strengthened, rather than weakened by these demonstrations, and after a time, all open opposition ceased. At present, fraternities have become so much a part of the University, that their existence is taken as a matter of course. In social matters fraternity men are the undisputed masters. Nor is this supremacy confined to University circles. No social gathering of young people of the city is complete without the presence of University students,—fraternity members.

A little over one-fifth of the students belong to fraternities, and they are distributed as follows: *B θ Π*, 20; *Φ K Ψ*, 18; *Φ Γ Δ*, 11; *Σ N*, 15; *Φ Δ θ*, 21; *Π B Φ*, 18; *K A θ*, 18 and *K K Γ*, 18. *Σ X* is represented by only one member, the others having resigned or left school. The charter has been returned, and as a chapter, *Σ X* exists here no longer.

Of the three ladies' fraternities, neither can be said to be superior to the others. The standing of all is good.

Among the men's fraternities, *B θ Π*, *Φ K Ψ* and *Φ Δ θ* are generally evenly matched in strength. This year, however, *B θ Π*, though numerically strong, is rather weaker than usual. The members of the chapter though good students are not the kind of men that keep a fraternity at the top. Sustained by a large alumni and a strong reputation, the Betas will probably be able to regain in fact the prestige they have by reputation.

If the University has what may be called a fast set, *Φ K Ψ* may justly claim that title. The members of this fraternity are mostly bright active fellows, sons of wealthy men, and believe in having a good time.

To a member, *Φ Δ θ* seems to have the ideal chapter. Appreciating the value of modesty, it does not seem becoming to say much about one's own chapter. Suffice it is to say, the fraternity generally gets most of the men it spikes, and before being spiked, a man must prove himself a good scholar and a good

companion. The chapter is content to rest its claims for fraternal spirit on an intended sarcastic remark, made last year by one of its rivals, "The Phi Delts flock together and seem to be satisfied with themselves."

Until this year, $\Phi\ \Gamma\ \Delta$ has seemed to an outsider to be more of a social club, than a fraternity, but a commendable spirit seems to have enthused the members this year, and they have been doing better work and giving fewer dances, than for several years previous. The standing of the chapter is fair.

$\Sigma\ N$ is composed of a class of men that every college man knows. They are good students and there is nothing specific that one can say against them, yet they lack entirely that mutual attraction, so necessary for good fellowship. One may admire them, but there is not that indefinable thing which at once invites intimacy.

The roll of the three stronger fraternities is about as large as they endeavor to make it, and unless some new fraternity makes its appearance, with the increasing attendance, it is probable that in the course of a few years, the two weaker chapters may strengthen their position and reach the plane occupied by the others.

J. FRANK CRAIG.

WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY AND MISSOURI GAMMA.

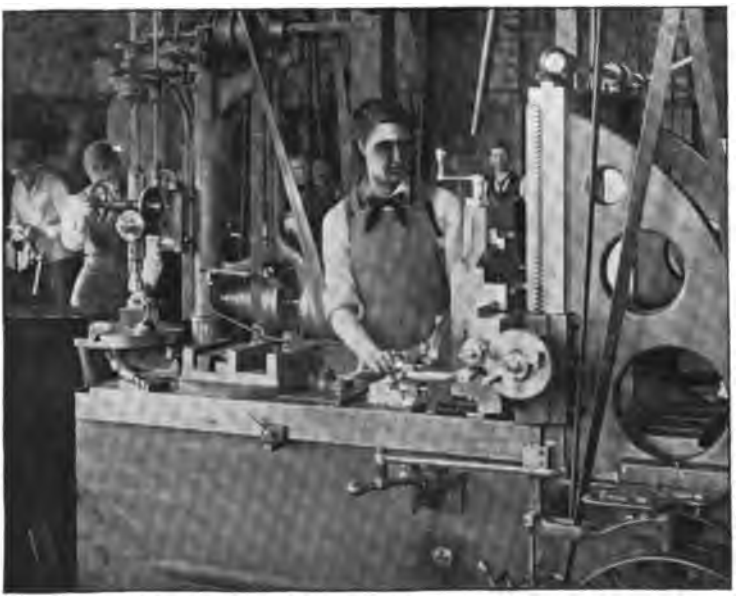
Washington University, founded in the city of St. Louis, under an Act of Incorporation by the State of Missouri, approved February 22, 1853, is intended to embrace the whole range of University studies, except Theology, and to afford opportunity of complete preparation for every sphere of practical and scientific life.

By the Eighth Article of the Constitution, "no instruction, either sectarian in religion, or partisan in politics, shall be allowed in any Department of the University; and no sectarian or partisan test shall be used in the election of Professors, Teachers, or other officers of the University for any purposes whatsoever. This article shall be understood as the fundamental condition on which all endowments, of whatsoever kind, are received." The Constitution also declares the articles now quoted "not subject to alteration at any time."

On the 22d of April, 1857, the formal inauguration of Washington University took place with appropriate exercises in University Hall, and an oration delivered by Hon. Edward Everett, in the Mercantile Library Hall.



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The following schools have also been organized under the charter of the University: I. Smith Academy. II. Manual Training School. III. Mary Institute.

It is with the Collegiate and Polytechnic Schools that Phi Delta Theta is connected.

The faculties of the entire University enroll forty-four members. That of the Collegiate and Polytechnic Department numbers eighteen professors, ten instructors and three lecturers. The students of this department number over 120, of whom ninety per cent. are males. Of the matriculates of this department about seventy-five per cent. are residents of the City of St. Louis. Tuition is $150 annually besides a matriculation fee of $5.

DEGREES IN THE UNDERGRADUATE DEPARTMENT.

I. *College Degrees.*—The degrees corresponding to the two courses of study conferred upon the satisfactory completion of the four years' work are: I. The Degree of Bachelor of Arts. II. The Degree of Bachelor of Philosophy.

The General Course in Science and Literature was authorized by the Board of Directors in December, 1887. It is intended to meet the wants of those students who at the end of their Sophomore year may prefer a more liberal course of study than is offered by the strictly professional curricula. Unlike the professional courses, it covers four years instead of five, and leads to the non-professional degree of Bachelor of Science.

II. *Polytechnic School Degrees.*—It will be seen below that the degrees which those who complete the several courses of study are entitled to receive fall into two classes: professional, five years and non-professional, four years. Since June, 1888, the only degree conferred upon students in the professional courses (Engineering and Chemistry) is the professional degree at the completion of the fifth year's work. No degree whatever is given at the close of the fourth or Senior year.

This change appropriately accompanies the adoption of the General Course and the Course in Pure Science. Those who do not wish for a thorough professional training in some line of Engineering or Chemistry will naturally and wisely select one of the non-professional courses; while those who do aim at a professional life should unquestionably seek without distraction or break the most complete training available A five years' course in Pure Science has been arranged.

This course is intended for those students who desire to become specialists in the direction of Science. It was authorized by the Board of Directors in December, 1887, and is now published for the first time and its satisfactory completion will entitle the student to the degree of Master of Science. No degree whatever will be given to students taking this course at the end of the fourth year.

The degrees corresponding to the six courses of study given on the completion of the work as prescribed are: I. The Degree of Civil Engineer; II. The Degree of Dynamic Engineer; III. The Degree of Chemist; IV. The Degree of Engineer of Mines; V. The Degree of Bachelor of Science; VI. The Degree of Master of Science.

A gymnasium for the use of the Undergraduate Department has been erected and furnished at a total cost of about $10,000. The large hall, 50x70 feet, and nearly 30 feet high, and heated by steam, is supplied with all necessary apparatus. All class exercises are conducted by a professional instructor.

The financial condition of the University has been very materially improved during the past two years by the addition to its various permanent funds of over $200,000. Its property now consists of real estate and buildings in actual use for educational purposes (unincumbered), costing over $625,000; of Libraries, Scientific Apparatus, Laboratories, Casts, Architectural Models, Machinery and other personal property in actual use in the various departments costing over $160,000, and of investments for revenue in real and personal estate, derived from special endowments amounting to over $650,000; giving an assured permanence to the Institution and the guaranty of a wise, conservative, thorough and prudent administration of the trust which has been committed to the Board of Directors.

Missouri Gamma of Phi Delta Theta was established at Washington University on Saturday, March 28th, 1891. It draws its membership from the collegiate and polytechnic schools. In 1888 there was established in the school an organization known as the W. S. & P. Society. In January, 1889, this society formed a still closer organization, by elaborating the ritual and laws which made it the Texta Club. It has been a successful and enthusiastic organization from the start, and enrolls class and society leaders of the college. Late in 1889 the members of the Club had correspondence with $\Phi\ \Delta\ \theta$ and several other fraternities. As a Club "Texta" was at that time opposed to changing its relations, though some members favored becoming a branch of a chaptered fraternity. No direct overtures were made by either parties to the correspondence mentioned, though strong inducements were held out by two or three fraternities to secure a formal application for a charter.

Of the Phi Delta Theta correspondence little need be said up to the time of the Missouri U. and Washington U. foot ball game at St. Louis last Thanksgiving. An informal meeting of Phis and Textas was held. The Phis as a result of their investigation were ready to endorse the movement most heartily and the Textas on their part decided to put in an application for a charter. This, backed by the St. Louis and other Missouri Phis and championed by Treasurer Clark was approved at the Louisville meeting of the General Council. The papers were then sent to Zeta Province chapters for vote, with the result that it secured the necessary unanimous approval of these. The charter was granted and the chapter installed as noted.

After initiation, a banquet was served and following toasts rendered—

"Missouri Gamma, her entrance into Φ Δ Θ, and her duties, pleasures and prospects"—
H. Th. Miller, Secretary General Council,
I. R. Hitt, Jr., President Zeta Province,
H. W. Clark, Treasurer General Council.

"Our Missouri Sister—Here's to her"—
B. M. Thompson, Missouri Alpha,
E. M. Watson, Missouri Alpha,
J. C. Tipton, Missouri Alpha,
Bro. McLeary, Missouri Alpha.

"A Greeting from the South"—
E. J. Buck, Mississippi Alpha.

"Our Younger Sister in St. Louis"—
P. R. Flitcraft, President Missouri Beta Alumni.

"Illinois' Message"—
Guy P. Williams, Illinois Delta.

"Good Bye 'Texta,' Hail, Φ Δ Θ!"—
R. C. McCulloch, Missouri Gamma.

"Texta Girls, Now Phi Sisters"—
W. H. Danforth, Missouri Gamma.

Everything conspired to make the occasion a memorable one, and the newly made Phis of Missouri Gamma received a hearty welcome at the hands of those present, these numbering two members of the Council, the Province President, a good delegation of St. Louis alumni and visitors from Missouri Alpha and Illinois Delta. The evening gave not only its enjoyment, but in the revealed rites of the Fraternity taught the new brothers that Phi Delta Theta symbols as worn by her members were the tokens of pledges of loyalty to the principles of highest manhood, and that no charter of the Fraternity was in lawful use unless it made those who came under its workings better men for having done so. The lesson made its impression and to-day Missouri Gamma stands erect in the ranks of Phi Delta Theta, her charter

cared for by those well worthy to have entered the three gates, and who aspire to realize the teachings found therein. Their present is one that calls for congratulation. All hail the future.

ZETA PROVINCE CONVENTION.

At the Convention of Zeta Province held at Galesburg, Ills., April 1st and 2d, 1890, it was decided that the next convention should be held at Mt. Pleasant, Ia., which was finally appointed for March 30, and April 1st, 1891. The time has come and gone and it is with pleasure that we accept a kindly offered portion of the SCROLL in which to greet the Fraternity with tidings of the entire success and profit of this most delightful occasion. The day before the first session was to be held the delegates came in from all directions, and by the time the first meeting convened the boys were all thoroughly acquainted and the preparations completed to make the convention a success in every detail. The Mt. Pleasant friends of Phi Delta Theta had very kindly offered to entertain the visiting brothers, and the prettiest homes of the scholastic city were thrown open and a spirit of hospitality pervaded the very atmosphere. At 11 a. m. March 31, the convention was called to order by Pres. I. R. Hitt, and after opening exercises and prayer by Rev. A. W. Ringland, D. D., of Duluth, the preliminary business was taken up.

A committee on credentials was then appointed by the Chair, which submitted the following:

Iowa Alpha, W. C. Willits, J. W. Clark, W. L. Brenholts; Iowa Beta, F. G. Pierce; Illinois Alpha, represented by letter; Illinois Delta, Guy P. Williams; Illinois Zeta, B. F. Brady, S. T. Donahoe, D. P. Wild; Missouri Alpha, Burton M. Thompson; Missouri Beta, represented by letter; Missouri Gamma, Ralph G. Cole; Kansas Alpha, F. G. Nichols; Wisconsin Alpha, E. R. McDonald; Nebraska Alpha, R. M. Welch; California Alpha, represented by letter.

On motion the Chair appointed committees on Order of Business, nomination of officers, place of meeting and Committee on Inquiry.

The committee on Order of Business, consisting of Williams, Donohoe and McDonald reported:

1. Hearing of Reports of Province Chapters. 2. Consideration of weak Chapters. 3. How we may interest our Alumni. 4. Fraternity Extension. 5. Chapter house question. 6. General business.

The committee on nomination of officers, consisting of Willits, Welch and Brenholts then offered the following names after

which on motion the By-Laws were suspended and the Secretary instructed to cast ballot of convention for their election.

For Pres., Isaac R. Hitt, ex-officio. Vice Pres., R. M. Welch. Sec'y., W. C. Willits. Treasurer, F. G. Nichols. Historian, E. R. McDonald. Reporter, Ralph Cole. Warden, F. G. Pierce. Chaplain, Jesse W. Clark.

The committee on place of meeting recommended that the next convention be held at Lawrence, Kan., with Kansas Alpha, and on motion it was ordered that the report be accepted.

An invitation was then read by the Secretary, for the gentlemen of the Convention to attend a reception given by the ladies of the P. E. O. sorosis, at the home of Hon. Jno. J. Woolson, in honor of Phi Delta Theta, at 4 p. m. After a unanimous vote to accept the invitation and a very excellent letter from our Fraternity Historian W. W. Quarles, the first session adjourned to meet at 1:30 p. m.

In the afternoon session the regular order of business was then taken up, and after a most interesting report of Illinois Delta, given by Guy P. Williams, it was decided to postpone the remaining reports until the next day, and the Chair called for the opinion of the delegates on the subject of Fraternity Extension. A letter was read from Pres. E. H. L. Randolph, and the subject underwent a thorough discussion, which was participated in by Welch, McDonald, Nichols, Williams, Pierce, Brady, Cole, Brenholts and Wild. It was decided that the opinion of the convention should be internal improvements rather than extension. The Minneapolis situation was then rather informally discussed and the convention adjourned to attend the P. E. O. Reception, which eminently proved to be one of the most elaborately planned and artistically managed social events ever given in the city. After two hours in the elegant home, in the presence of the hospitality of the P. E. O's., where conviviality and Phi songs blended into a monady of good time, the gentlemen though loth to do so, were compelled to depart. At a later hour the same evening a public lecture was given by Rev. A. W. Ringland, D. D., Kentucky Alpha, now of Duluth, Minn. This scholarly and eloquent brother appeared before a splendid audience at the Grand Opera House, and from the subject, "Vapor and Vaporers," delivered one of the most finished addresses given to Mt. Pleasant people for years, in which his tributes to Phi Delta Theta were sincerely and eloquently poured forth. An intense enthusiasm and love for Phi Delta Theta had brought Dr. Ringland hundred of miles to deliver this lecture, and it is a fact on which we may well congratulate ourselves, that men really great, if Phis once are Phis forever.

After the lecture the Convention Banquet was held in the leading hostelrie of the city and besides a most elaborate menu

the following toast list, the embodiment of wit and fraternal love, was indulged in:

"Our Visitors," W. C. Willits; "Our Alumni," E. R. McDonald; "That Phi Girl," F. G. Pierce; "Looking Backward," Guy P. Williams; "Old Billy," Ben F. Brady; "Our Nationality," R. M. Welch; "Our Hosts," F. G. Nichols.

The programme was interspersed by Phi songs, and the entire literary programme ingeniously managed by our Toastmaster, Pres. I. R. Hitt. The wall decorations were in white and blue and long festoons of the colors hung from a high center post—around which the table was arranged—to the four corners of the room, and best of all, upon the table with artistic taste the hand of Pi Beta Phi had placed profuse decorations of white and red roses which made the boys sing "Phi girls are the best, sir," with an energy that made the town ring.

On Wednesday morning, though the business and festivities of the day before had extended into the "wee sma hours" the boys assembled early to prosecute convention work. A Committee on Resolutions, consisting of Pierce, Nichols and Clark was appointed, after which the reports of chapters was again returned to and the forenoon was taken up with the reading of reports by letter from California Alpha, Illinois Alpha and Missouri Beta, and reports from Iowa Beta by F. G. Pierce, Nebraska Alpha, R. M. Welch and Wisconsin Alpha by E. R. McDonald. The convention then adjourned to meet again at 3:30 in the afternoon when the reports were continued. Nichols reported for Kansas Alpha, Cole gave a most enthusiastic talk on the start and intent of our new chapter, Missouri Gamma; Hardy spoke for Illinois Zeta, Thompson for Missouri Alpha and W. L. Brenholts for Iowa Alpha.

It would be a matter of interest to Phis everywhere if the salient points of these chapter reports might be mentioned, but space in the SCROLL deprives comment further than that the chapters in Zeta Province are in a splendidly prosperous condition. After the reports were all in, the lecture of Dr. A. M. Linn, of Des Moines, Iowa, was given, to the delight of every Phi of the convention. Dr. Linn had chosen for his subject "The Big Four" and held the undivided attention of his ardent listeners for an hour. He is an alumnus of Iowa Alpha and a man, who, in the opinion of Zeta Province Phis should and sometime will be pushed to the front for Fraternity honors. A report of the Committee on Resolutions was then called for and among the resolutions adopted were resolutions thanking citizens of Mt. Pleasant for their hospitality; thanking Dr. A. W. Ringland and Dr. A. M. Linn for their lectures, and thanking P. E. Ω. and Π Β Φ for their reception and decorations. It was then ordered by motion "That it be the sentiment of delegates of Zeta Province Chapters

in convention assembled that the new ritual as submitted to the chapters of Φ Δ Θ is good and on the whole desirable. We recommend and urge its adoption and the General Council shall be informed of this action."

Bro. McDonald then thanked Pres. Hitt, on behalf of the Province for the time and attention he had devoted to the Convention. A discussion of the chapter house question was then taken up. This was participated in by McDonald and Pierce, and the stock company plan advocated. On motion of Brady, a committee of three with I. R. Hitt as chairman, was appointed to devise methods looking to the improvement of chapter letters. Willits and Brady were appointed as other members of the committee. The chair then appointed Pierce and Donahoe a committee to consider the Fraternity yell.

At 8 o'clock Wednesday evening the reception of Iowa Alpha to lady friends and visiting Phis was given with the Misses Crane. The chapter and these hospitable ladies had left nothing undone that could minister to the success of the event and the good cheer of a hundred and twenty-five young ladies and gentlemen as they occupied the elegant parlors and splendidly decorated dining halls alone can give adequate testimony of the realization of their ambition.

On Thursday morning the last session was called by Secretary Willits and in the absence of President Hitt, Brother Thompson was elected President pro tempore. The Secretary was then instructed to forward resolutions adopted, thanking Bro. Hitt for his time and attention, to be published in the SCROLL, but as the copy has not yet been submitted to the Secretary by the Chairman, and through some mistake was not entered on the minutes when read, must of necessity be omitted in this report, though the fact and spirit of the resolution are hereby given. Returning to resolutions, McDonald then read resolutions written by Dr. Ringland urging a National Summer Resort House project upon the attention of the Fraternity, which by motion was adopted by the Convention. Resolutions were also adopted thanking Mrs. and Miss Woolson for their kindness and interest taken in the P. E. O. reception and to Iowa Alpha and Mrs. and the Misses Crane for Iowa Alpha reception.

Letters were then read by the Sec'y from Bros. J. E. Brown, Editor of SCROLL, Hugh Th. Miller, Sec'y G. C., H. W. Clark, Treas. G. C. and our venerable founder, Robert Morrison. By motion the Secretary was then instructed to answer Brother Morrison's letter in behalf of Zeta Province.

On motion unanimously carried, the delegates then pledged themselves to work in their individual Chapters to urge their graduating members to take the SCROLL for at least two years. Also that Resolutions be adopted urging that Bro. Brown be

continued Editor of the SCROLL. Some other general business was then transacted and the Secretary instructed to furnish full report of minutes to be published in the SCROLL, which the space that can be given us in the June number has rendered positively impracticable. The sketch therefore is but an outline, but if it fills its mission of saying to the Fraternity in general that Zeta Province is awake; that the Convention was a success and earnestly looked for the advancement of Phi Delta Theta everywhere as well as of its own Chapters, it has served its purpose well.

WILMOT C. WILLITS, Sec'y.

THE CHAPTER GRAND.

PHI DELTA THETA.

INITIATES OF THE CHAPTER GRAND.

William Johnston Lapsley, Kentucky *A*,' 64,
Died August 19, 1890,
at
Sweet Springs, Mo.
"In Coelo Quies Est."

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James Henry Dalby, Virginia *Γ*, '74,
Died December 26, 1890,
at
Saluda, Virginia.
"In Coelo Quies Est."

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Winfield Scott Brown, Indiana *B*, '86,
Died January 4, 1891,
at
Grayville, Illinois.
"In Coelo Quies Est."

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Thomas Allen Walker, Ohio *Δ*, '89,
Died January 22, 1891,
at
West Salem, Ohio.
"In Coelo Quies Est."

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Herman Jay Lauder, Iowa *A*, '72,
Died April 12, 1891,
at
Muscatine, Iowa.
" In Coelo Quies Est.
* * *
George Daniel Blakey, Virginia *B*, '83,
Died 1891,
at
Charlottesville, Virginia.
" In Coelo Quies Est."
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NOTES.

Rev. William Johnston Lapsley, Kentucky Alpha, '64, was born near Harrodsburg, Kentucky, May 20, 1844. His father was Col. John Lapsley, an intelligent and successful farmer. The Lapsley connection in Kentucky, Tennessee and Alabama is a large and highly respectable one.

William entered Centre College at eighteen and after graduation, spent three years—the full course—in the study of Theology and was received by the Presbytery of Transylvania.

His first charge was Des Peres, an interesting country church, near St. Louis, Mo. In 1869 the church and house at Mizpah, a few miles from Des Peres, were built, and he became pastor of that congregation where he remained for six years. During part of the years '75 to '76 he temporarily supplied the Second Presbyterian Church of Sedalia, Mo. In the latter part of '76 he became pastor of the large church in Troy, Ky. There from overwork and nervous trouble his health gave way, and after a short period of rest he accepted a call in 1881, to the Second Presbyterian church, Shelbyville, Ky. He left there in 1884 with his nervous system broken down when his ministerial work was ended.

He continued in feeble health until August 19, 1890, when he quietly and without pain fell asleep, to no longer awake until the resurrection of the just.

In October, 1868, he was married to Miss Elizabeth, daughter of Rev. John L. Yantis, D. D., who with an interesting family survives him.

Bro. Lapsley was a faithful pastor, a sprightly and attractive preacher and a useful man. His body rests in the cemetery at Sweet Springs, Missouri. His record is on high.

ROBERT MORRISON.

Henry D. Howren, whose illness was mentioned in the last issue of the *Wesleyan*, died on the evening of the 7th inst., in Charleston, S. C. Mr. Howren was among the most brilliant young men of our time. He was graduated from Emory College in the class of 1880. Soon after leaving college he chose journalism as his profession, rising very soon to the front rank in it. Nearly two years ago, down by the old battery in Charleston, with his face toward the sea, and his heart turned toward the infinite Father, he sought, and as he said, obtained the pardon of his sins. He then entered upon a new life as a temperance lecturer, and was soon licensed to preach. In several states he delivered temperance addresses no whit behind those of the most gifted orators. We recall with distinctness one delivered in this city, the conclusion of which was as beautiful and as flawless a piece of rhetoric as we ever heard. True hearted, genial Howren! We knew him in his boyhood and youth, followed him in his manhood with deep solicitude, rejoiced over his successes, and sorrowed because of his failures. His life was a checkered, tortured history. We trust that after "life's fitful fever he sleeps well."—*Wesleyan Christian Advocate.*

HOWREN.

Like a bird by the storm winds driven, that flies to its sheltered nest
'Neath the arch of a tranquil heaven, so my friend went home to rest;
He was tired of tears and toiling, of the paths where the wandering stray,
And he felt in the storm and darkness like a child that had lost its way.

But a star in the east was shining—a beautiful star and sweet;
Its light fell soft on his pathway, a lamp to his weary feet;
And the eyes of his soul were lifted from the gloom where the lost ones roam,
And he entered in at the portals, and passed to the peace of home.

Are there tears for him? He is lying under the tender skies
That have known his tears as they trembled in his merciful, melting eyes.
Oh, friends, as ye stand above him and gaze on his face divine,
Make room for the hearts that love him, and so, with your tears, take mine.

I creep in the dark towards him, unknown in the weeping throng,
And lay 'mongst his shining laurels this flowerless leaf of song.
And there in the dark I leave him. But sweet till the whole world ends
Will be the thought of his dying, who gave his life for his friends.

—F. L. Stanton, in *Charleston News and Courier.*

After a two week's illness with typhoid fever, Orin G. Callahan died at the home of L. H. Zehring, Esq., in Miamisburg, O., September 6, 1890. On the following Monday he was buried at Hill Grove Cemetery, Miamisburg. Rev. Dr. E. D. Whitlock conducted the services, and classmates of the deceased were pallbearers.

Mr. Callahan had started to Greenville to join the Cincinnati Conference, stopping on the way to pay a visit to Miamisburg, where on the day following his arrival he was taken sick at the home of Mr. Zehring.

Orin G. Callahan was born September 7, 1868, at Swan's Creek parsonage. When eight years old he was converted, joined church at his own request, and announced at once his determination to preach. From that time he kept steadfastly to this resolution. In the fall of 1884 he entered the Ohio Wesleyan University, where his earnest character, natural ability, scholarship and oratorical power soon brought him into prominence. All the honors of the college came to him unsought. He was out two winter terms on account of poor health, but kept up with his class and was graduated with them last spring. He had intended to continue his preparations for his life work at Drew Theological Seminary, and was anxious to join the conference so that he could take up some active work there.

Those who knew him best will most mourn his loss. There was in his nature a certain dread of display and a reserve born of sensitiveness that made him often unappreciated, misunderstood. If his friends ever entertained a doubt of his future success from a worldly view, it was because of this marked trait.

None who were associated with him in the class room or society hall, will doubt that Orin Callahan had great ability. Here, as everywhere, his manner was unpretending. He was ambitious, to do well; he did not care to shine. His mind was broad. Things apparently incongruous he would chain together with resemblances. Though his methods were sometimes called illogical, his intuition always reached the mark. With some his quietness might have passed for indifference; but he was a good observer, though a poor critic. He saw much and said little. To intimate friends he discovered a vein of quiet humor which made him a delightful companion. He had a passion for the study of oratory and was easily preeminent among the speakers of his class. His style was fascinating and distinctively original.

His sensibilities were acute, but he did not often express his feelings. He was loyal to his friends and always ready to sacrifice his interest or pleasure to theirs.

He was so incapable of self-applause that he seldom did himself the justice of self-defence when under suspicion. He never preached exoneration. For misconstruction he had but

one answer—silence. With patience and wisdom he awaited the acquittal of time and events. If injustice found here little resistance, she met with less revenge. If there was one thing that particularly marked Orin Callahan's nature great, it was the veil of deep reserve which he drew around his love and his religion. He hated Phariseeism and cant of every kind. Though undemonstrative, he had abiding faith in the reality of the Christian religion, and while he was often troubled with thoughts of his unfitness for the mission, he never swerved in his determination to preach. He made mankind a practical study. While he reverenced the trusts of the Church, he wanted to enfold in his creed all the varied interests, and passions and sorrows of humanity. Nothing was more foreign to his nature than ambition; ecclesiastical place or power never figured in his plans for life. He once said, "I have but one ambition, and that is to be an humble preacher of the cross of Christ."

It was a pleasant thing to speculate upon the future career of such a character. No measure of success could have made him arrogant; no degree of failure could have tinged him with misanthropy. Time would have but mellowed graces already ripe, and deepened sympathies early marked. But the inscrutable Power that often seems to mock our little thoughts had other purposes for him. It was not for him to build churches, to thrill assemblies, to help mould the life of the coming century. It was not for him to comfort the widow and the fatherless, to guide unsteady feet in the narrow way, to soothe the hour of death with words of promise. He has been translated to another sphere and the world's loss is his eternal gain.

CONVENTION SUGGESTIONS.

So far there has been little discussion in the SCROLL about what legislation is desirable at our approaching biennial National Convention, which is an indication that our system of government has so nearly been adapted to our present needs as to leave little room for improvements. However, I beg leave, to offer reasons why the Convention should act on the following subjects, which appear to me to be important:

1. The annual Alumni Day was the very happy conception of the present editor of the SCROLL, and it is extremely gratifying that it has been so generally observed. The date, the third Wednesday in February, was adopted, not on account of association with any event, but because it was thought to be a more convenient time for alumni to assemble than the Fraternity's birthday, December 26, or other dates that were proposed.

I now submit that a more appropriate date would be March 15, by selecting which time we would be honoring our venerable founder, Robert Morrison, who was born March 15, 1822, in Greene County, Pennsylvania, and ever since $\Phi \Delta \theta$ was conceived by him has taken a deep interest in its affairs.

This date has all the advantages of the one that has been chosen and others in addition. Aside from being our founder's birthday, it comes intermediate between the date on which the chapters send out their annual circulars to Correspondent members, March 1, and the date on which Chapter Reporters send their annual reports to the Historian of the General Council, April 1. Therefore should Alumni Day be fixed on March 15, the correspondent members, having quite recently received circular letters from their several chapters, would be better informed about Fraternity matters, and perhaps more enthused, than at other seasons. The attendance at the annual meetings of Alumni would on this account be longer, and at these gatherings much personal data might be secured which Reporters could transmit in their reports to the H. G. C. It should also be remembered that at least two of our College Chapters, Michigan Beta and Tennessee Beta, are not in session in February, but resume in March.

2. At the Convention of 1884, the Historian of the General Council, Brother A. A. Stearns, proposed a scheme, which was adopted, providing for annual reports of chapter statistics, giving to the H. G. C. the names, classes, addresses and dates of initiation of new members, a list of attendant members, notes concerning changes among correspondent members, etc. Experience, however, has shown that it is almost impossible to get Reporters to forward their reports on the proper date, April 1. There has been so much dereliction in this respect that the H. G. C. has not been able since 1889 to make out a complete summary.

The scheme of Brother Stearns was an excellent one but an additional provision is needed to make it perfect. Chapter Reporters should be provided with specially prepared books adapted for all needed entries, with a page for each member, and blanks to be filled with his name, address, time of entering college, class, course, date of initiation, time of retiring from college, degree, college honors, fraternity honors, consanguinity, and plenty of space for other biographical mention.

If such books were furnished it would be very easy for a Reporter to record what was necessary about each member when initiated and to make subsequent annotations, and when the time should come for sending the annual report to the H. G. C., he would have all the information before him in one book, and would not have to look for it through chapter minutes, college catalogues, students' annuals and papers and other sources. So

important do I deem this matter of preparing record books for all chapters uniform in arrangement, that I think the General Council should appoint a special committee to devise, or themselves devise, the plan of a book embracing the features mentioned, and present it to the coming convention for approval.

3. Brothers E. H. L. Randolph and F. D. Swope are now engaged in editing the sixth edition of the Catalogue, which will be the first issue since the publication of the fifth edition, edited by Brother A. G. Foster and myself, in 1883. The labor that I expended on that work, convinces me that he who assumes the duties of catalogue editor undertakes a herculean task. We now have a membership of about 6,000, and at the rate at which we are growing, four or five hundred a year, we will in a few years have so large a list that scarcely any member will be willing to become a catalogue editor unless some way can be found to lessen the great amount of work.

The main trouble about the matter is, that after an edition of the catalogue has been published, the keeping trace of members is neglected, and six or eight years afterward, when editors are elected to prepare a new edition, they cannot reach large numbers of the correspondent members, so many of them having removed.

I therefore wish to renew my suggestions made in THE SCROLL during 1883–84, when I was editor, that a permanent catalogue editor be elected whose duty it shall be to enter in suitable books memoranda concerning members obtained from THE SCROLL and from all other sources, including direct communications from the members themselves, in answer to circulars of inquiry sent out by him annually. He should also be charged with the duty of finding the whereabouts of every member whose address is not given in the next edition, and of obtaining the full names of those whose initials only are given. He should be supplied with funds for necessary expenses, and perhaps paid some salary, and he should be required to report to the National Convention exactly what he had accomplished.

Were this plan adopted, those elected to edit an edition of the catalogue would have their burden greatly lightened, and doubtless the permanent catalogue editor would himself be willing to become one of the editors of the publication. The duties of permanent catalogue editor might be added to those of the H. G. C., but it would probably be better to have the position a separate one, so that the incumbent would have no other Fraternity duty to bear upon him. It would be proper to make him the custodian of the annual reports after the H. G. C. had compiled a summary of them for THE SCROLL.

4. There is, as we all know, more or less difference between the standard of membership among the various chapters. One

chapter values one qualification highest, another something else. It is presumed all chapters strictly regard the provisions of the Bond in regard to admissions, but nevertheless at some colleges a higher estimate is placed on some personal qualities than at other institutions.

When, therefore, a member transfers from one college to another where there is a chapter, he sometimes finds that this chapter is composed of elements different in important respects from those in the chapter where he was initiated. On the other hand, it may be the case that the members of a chapter may not consider a member from another college a congenial companion and they may feel that to receive him into the Chapter would be to admit a disturbing factor. It is better, therefore, that the member should not affiliate, for the prosperity of every chapter depends on the congeniality of those who compose it and the harmony that should prevail in all their actions. For these reasons it seems to me that a constitutional amendment should be adopted providing that no member going from one college to another should be allowed to affiliate with a chapter at the latter unless invited to do so by, say a three fourths vote.

5. At my suggestion a motion was made in the Convention of 1889 that a committee be appointed to raise funds for the erection of a National Fraternity house at Oxford, Ohio. The motion carried, and I was appointed on the committee, but if any member of the committee has done anything in the premises I have not been so informed, However, I hope to see the Atlanta Convention take hold of the project and appoint a committee with more energy.

Aside from the pride that we would all feel in the possession of a creditable Fraternity building at the birthplace of $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$, it is absolutely necessary to have some place for the preservation of our archives. There are many valuable historical documents scattered about in various places, and they should be collected and stored in a fireproof structure, where there should also be a fraternity library. No more central or suitable place can be proposed than Oxford, and while Ohio Alpha would derive a particular advantage from such a building, the whole fraternity would be benefitted.

This matter should not longer be delayed. There are many papers bearing on the fraternity's history that have fortunately so far escaped the ravages of time, but are liable to be irretrievably lost or be consumed by fire. There are many loyal Phis who if properly approached would give $10 to $100 each for this purpose. It might be well to levy a small annual tax on attendant members, say 25 or 50 cents per capita, for this purpose, but it would probably be better first to see what could be done during

two years by a committee who would endeavor to obtain voluntary contributions.

6. It is a recognized fact that the best means of keeping alive the interest of alumni in the movements of the Fraternity is by getting them to become subscribers for the SCROLL. At the convention of 1882 an inducement was offered to them to subscribe by placing the subscription price at $5 for ten years. This plan was first proposed by Brother J. M. Barrs, then Province President. However, the number of alumni who have availed themselves of this opportunity is not large.

At the Convention of 1886 Brother R. S. Dawson of Kentucky Alpha came forward with a very original proposition, which if it had not been so novel would perhaps have been adopted, as the object of it was most commendable. His idea was that each attendant member should pay $2 for the SCROLL every year while in college, instead of $1 as then and now, and that he should receive therefor the SCROLL while in college; and for every year that he should pay while in college, he should receive the SCROLL two years after leaving college. By this plan a member initiated in his freshman year, and remaining until graduation, would pay $8 for the SCROLL during four years, and would receive the SCROLL during those four years, and during the next succeeding eight years, or twelve years in all.

The objection to paying the increased amount would probably not be strong, for each member would thereby get the SCROLL after leaving college at half the price that he would have to pay if he should subscribe one year at a time. If this plan were put in operation, the SCROLL would soon have many hundreds of readers among correspondent members, and their intimate acquaintances with all that would transpire in the fraternity thus acquired would lead to the most beneficial results.

At the convention of 1889 the elaborate Ritual on which I and others had been working for years was adopted for trial until the convention to be held this year, and Brothers J. E. Brown and C. P. Bassett, with myself as chairman, were appointed a committee to endeavor to further perfect the various ceremonies. I have from time to time given the matter considerable thought, and will be prepared to submit at Atlanta several alterations, particularly in the second part of the initiation ceremony, which I believe will be considered improvements. Each chapter no doubt has used the proposed Ritual in whole or in part, and amendments have probably been thought of which should be embodied in the revision that shall finally be sanctioned. I request all who have studied the subject to forward to me their ideas in regard to changes, that they may be laid before the committee. These ideas should be written out in detail, so as to give the exact language that is preferred, but none should fail

to mention positive objections to any thing in the Ritual. It is very important that all suggestions should be forwarded to the committee, so the committee may consider each as related to the others, and be prepared to report to the convention upon the advisability of changing the ceremonies without disturbing the thread of unity and completeness which should run through the forms for all the rites of the Fraternity.

WALTER B. PALMER.

Nashville, Tenn., April 1, 1891.

A CALIFORNIA RECEPTION TO PRESIDENT HARRISON.

On Monday evening, April 27, the Phis of California Alpha, together with a number of brothers from several Eastern chapters, assembled at the Palace Hotel, San Francisco, on the occasion of the chapter's annual banquet and alumni reunion. However, this was no ordinary banquet, for, in addition to the pleasure always present on such an occason, they had the distinguished honor of being visited by their brother Benjamin Harrison, President of the United States. It is difficult to appreciate just how great this honor was, until it is taken into consideration that California is several thousand miles distant from the nation's capital, and that the visit of a President to that State is an event of no ordinary moment, that accordingly there were something over a million people eager to catch sight of the head of the nation, and that there were dozens of invitations from various organizations for each day of his brief visit.

However the members of the active chapter of Phis at Berkeley, bearing in mind the success of their Galesburg brothers in a similar enterprise, together with the fact that President Harrison has ever evinced himself to be a true and loyal Phi by his continued interest in the Fraternity, resolved at least to try their best. At first the prospects of success were very dark, but finally through the efforts of Senator J. N. E. Wilson, California Alpha, the Executive Committee having in charge the President's entertainment while in San Francisco were induced to set aside a short time when the illustrious guest might be present at a distinctively Phi affair — the annual Fraternity banquet. All the alumni of California Alpha and all members of Eastern chapters who were known to be in the vicinity were immediately visited by a committee and by their generous and enthusiastic co-operation in the scheme the success of the affair was soon assured. The matter was kept as quiet as possible, and when on Tuesday the papers of San Francisco and Oakland pub-



lished accounts of the previous evening's banquet, the majority of the faculty and students of the university as well as the outside world was taken by surprise. The room in which the event took place was an elegant banqueting hall lighted by 400 incandescent electric lights, and is situated on the ground floor of the Palace which is universally recognized as America's most beautiful hotel.

The banquet was placed under the complete supervision of the Palace cuisine and no trouble or expense was spared to make the whole affair worthy of the distinguished guest. The banquet board was decorated by a profusion of the most beautiful flowers and table decorations that could be obtained. At short intervals were placed large baskets filled with choice roses of every hue, and at each plate was a small bouquet consisting of a large white bud with blue forget-me-nots and maiden hair fern, together with a knot of ribbon of the Fraternity "white and blue." A delicate border of smilax extended entirely around the long table and added greatly to the general effect. In addition to what has been mentioned, the board as well as numerous side tables was completely strewn with roses and other flowers, so that nothing was wanting to complete the beauty of the entire scene. A large string orchestra was present which added to the pleasure of the occasion by discoursing beautiful music during the entire evening. The menu card was an artistically contrived affair of eight pages, bearing on the outside an excellent photograph of President Harrison together with an embossed cut of the Fraternity badge.

In the early evening the Phis began to assemble at the hotel and proceeded to the reception parlors set apart for the occasion, where general conversation and meeting of the younger members with the alumni was the order until half past seven, when the company numbering about sixty Phis arranged two abreast in the order of the classes, beginning with California Alpha '73, marched out through the corridor and across the court to the banquet hall. About this time it began to be whispered about that the President owing to the excessive fatigue attendant upon the day's exercises together with the fact that he was to hold an official reception later on the evening would be unable to greet the Phis as had been arranged. But they were not doomed to disappointment for shortly after they were seated President Harrison entered the hall accompanied by Bro. J. N. E. Wilson, California Alpha '76, and Bro. C. O. Perry, Indiana Zeta, '69, and amid the music of the orchestra commingled with the repeated cheers and the fraternity yell of the feasting Phis, walked to the head of the table. It is worthy of remark that owing to the dense crowd in the court and corridors of the Palace, the President was unable to make use of any of the dozen passenger elevators to descend from his rooms above, but was compelled to employ one gener-

ally used in carrying freight. In all probability this is the first time a President of the United States ever attended an entertainment of any sort by way of a freight elevator.

After having been welcomed by toastmaster Wilson and introduced to the rest of the members in a few well chosen words, a toast was drunk to our distinguished brother of the White House which was responded to by him in a happy address from which the following are extracts: (It is to be regretted that the whole speech was not taken down for the President opened with a number of allusions to the character of the Fraternity and to his experiences in his old chapter. As one of the younger members enthusiastically put it, this portion of his remarks was worth $1,000 a word.) Said President Harrison—"My friends and brothers in this old society, I enjoy this moment very much in associating with you. This brings to mind that I was a member of the first chapter of this, the Phi Delta Theta Fraternity, which you all know was founded at Miami University, Oxford, Ohio. I have not lost the impression of solemnity and reverence, which I experienced hunting in the dark in those early times to find my chapter room, and I am very glad to know that those meetings were not meetings in the dark. I belonged to the order, when it was young; and now I find its members scattered in all States, where they hold positions of trust and influence, I find that in its history it has produced nothing discreditable to itself, but that it has sustained a reputation of which every one of its members may well be proud. I thank you for this moment of association with you." Here he paused for a moment, and then, lifting a glass, added, "I propose that we drink to the order to which we have given our allegiance and our love," a proposition which was immediately assented to by all present, and the toast was drunk. The President then seated himself and signed the "visiting members roll" of the chapter, which now possesses his signature as a valuable memento of the occasion. About 9 o'clock he begged to be excused as he was then due at his official reception in another part of the building. As he withdrew three cheers for the president, three more for Phi Delta Theta, and finally the Fraternity yell caused the hall to resound to the echo, and with a smile and a bow, Bro. Harrison was gone.

As has been mentioned this was a distinctively Phi affair no one being in attendance on the banquet who was not a regularly initiated member of the Fraternity. In this way those present felt drawn together by a bond of sympathy into a much closer union than could possibly have existed if outsiders had been present, no matter how distinguished they might have been. A special source of delight was the meeting with Eastern brothers, for in addition to the large number from California Alpha, were present three from Ohio Alpha, Bro. Harrison, '52, Bro. Steen,



'66, and Bro. Peck, '57, all of the parent Miami chapter, as well as representatives from Kentucky Alpha, Massachusetts Alpha, Pennsylvania Alpha, Indiana Beta, Indiana Zeta and Illinois Epsilon—eight chapters in all being represented.

When the demonstrations of enthusiasm on the part of the company had sufficiently subsided to render it possible, Brother Wilson took his seat as toastmaster, and the menu was resumed. Upon its conclusion Bro. Wilson again took the floor and in a few well chosen remarks congratulated the assembly upon its good fortune and graphically related his adventurous experiences with the Executive Committee. He then called upon the various speakers of the evening to respond to their several toasts as follows.

Introductory toast, "Our President," Senator J. N. E. Wilson, '76; "Phi Delta Theta's Public Men," Geo. E. DeGolia, '77; "Our Eastern Brothers," Edgar M. Wilson, Ohio Delta, '74; "THE SCROLL," Leslie R. Hewitt, '90; "The U. C. Then and Now," Prof. Wm. Carey Jones, '75; "Old Times," Fred Searles, '76; "California Alpha of '76," Ryant B. Wallace, '76; "California Alpha of '91," Wm. H. Waste, '91; "Our Future," D. Edward Collins, '74; "The Bond of Phi Delta Theta," Prof. S. B. Christy, '74.

In the unexpected absence of Bro. Edgar M. Wilson, Bro. C. O. Perry was called upon to respond to "Our Eastern Brothers," which he did in a most interesting manner. He related several anecdotes of the various Conventions of the Fraternity which he had attended, and of many prominent Phis with whom he had been acquainted in the East, notably President Harrison and his law partner J. B. Elam, Ohio Alpha, '70. In addition to the list already given, Bro. John Goss, California A, '74, spoke eloquently and feelingly upon those of his brothers in years gone by who have become members of the Chapter Grand. It was a profitable address indeed for the younger members to hear, full of regard and affection for his departed brothers, after a lapse of so many years.

The members of the active chapter were especially glad to have with them two members of the President's own chapter, Bro. Edwin T. Peck, '57, of Berkeley, and Bro. Moses D. A. Steen, D. D., '66, of Woodbridge, Cal., who had traveled one hundred and fifty miles to renew once more his relationship with the active Fraternity. Both expressed their sincere delight at seeing the fraternal enthusiasm which was displayed on this great occasion, and at knowing that the Fraternity, which had been small and weak during the years of their active connection with it, had now grown to be a mighty brotherhood stretching to every part of our land and casting upon all its members the glory of its strength and renown.

The program of the evening was further varied with musical selections by the orchestra, and with vocal solos by Bro. Harry A. Melvin, California A, '89. Bro. Wilson read telegrams from Bro. W. O. Morgan, '87, who is in Southern California and was unable to attend, and from Bro. W. H. Chamberlain, '76, who unfortunately was out of the state, expressing their regrets and sending their hearty congratulations. A telegram was received from Bro. J. M. Schaeberle, Michigan A, now an astronomer on Mt. Hamilton, announcing that he was unable to be present. Some of the alumni of the chapter were more fortunate and made special journeys from distant localities on purpose to be at the reunion. Bro. Hewitt, '90, arrived from Los Angeles two days before the banquet and Bro. Searles, '76, of Nevada City, nearly three hundred miles distant, was present to tell of old times in the chapter. Bro. Steen of Ohio Alpha, as has been mentioned, and Bro. John Goss, California Alpha, '74, of Santa Rosa, both came long distances and remained with the active chapter two days in the chapter house at Berkeley.

At 11:30 P. M., after the most enjoyable banquet that California Alpha has ever held, the assembly adjourned with a vote of thanks for Senator Wilson, without whose personal efforts and valuable advice the success of the enterprise would have been impossible. The benefits which have arisen from this reunion of so many Phis, many of whom had not seen each other or been posted as to the condition of the Fraternity for years, are greater than can be estimated. In the words of one alumnus of nearly twenty years standing, "It was a privilege which money cannot measure;" for all present, active and alumni members alike, felt as they had perhaps never done before the power of that Bond which makes us all one. Altogether the Phis of California passed a happy evening, grateful for the pleasure of meeting with each other, as well as that of meeting in a body our most distinguished brother Phi, President Benjamin Harrison.



EDITORIAL.

ATLANTA! OCTOBER! Those two words mean much in the Phi calendar, and as these days go on apace those in the Fraternity who expect to realize it, grow more and more numerous. It will be a veritable "gathering of the hosts" when the Phis begin to count noses in the Gate City when the third week of the tenth month rolls around. From several quarters we have heard of Phis who propose to embrace this opportunity of making a trip to the "New South" under such pleasant circumstances as are made possible by the Convention. Veteran convention-goers are not to miss this the one nearest the Equator in the annals of the Fraternity, and representation from the active chapters is an assured thing. Atlanta is a pleasant city to visit, but its chief attraction for the convention will lie in the fact that it will give the brothers from a distance a chance to see what material it is that composes the fraternal ranks in our southern wing, and to enjoy the hospitality that has been waiting since the Bloomington convention in 1889. To those who are now alumni, and to those who this year leave college life behind, we can give no advice, which followed will give more genuine pleasure, than—save your summer vacation until October, and go to the convention. It will take you a trip through a beautiful country, to a beautiful city, at a season when sun and air conspire to make the most inspiring of the year.

THERE is work to be done at the convention which will demand the earnest and matured deliberation of the delegates. Brother Palmer's communication in this issue bears upon a number of the questions that will come up. It behooves the delegates to come well posted on these matters, as many as possible having been talked over previously in chapter meetings, so that convention decisions will be the product of none but the ripest judgment.

We believe that the Fraternity is well satisfied with the policy of the Bloomington convention and the present General Council in reference to the granting of charters, and no momentous discussion on this line is looked for. But in the line of harmoniz

tion and unification of present Fraternity standards and methods of chapter work the convention will have much to do. The degree of advanced prosperity that Phi Delta Theta may reach in the next two years is to be decided by its work. The committee on Chapters and Charters is to be an important one, and more carefully than ever is it to inquire into the standards of membership and character of work of the chapters, and should it discover that any of these have misconceptions as to the true idea of Fraternity and the value placed on membership in $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$, it will see that the convention finds a proper remedy for the case. The brilliant advancement of the past two years plainly shows what possibilities there are for us by the perfect unification of our forces.

WHILE we were pleased with the healthy condition of the chapters as shown in the Annual Circular Letters of March, their perusal was not untinged with disappointment. Only a few of these letters followed the required form. The main portion of them aside from appending the active membership roll, were little more than what a first class letter to the SCROLL is. How few followed the regular outline and gave items under the head of (1) College News, (2) Chapter News, (3) Detailed mention and numerical strength of rivals, (4) Alumni News, (5) Changes in alumni addresses during the year, (6) *Names in full* and *home address* of active members. Some others marred what we know to have been good records for the year, by sophomoric boasting, the letters being made up of this to the exclusion of statements of facts. Alumni members are after news and facts. If these are given they are abundantly able to judge from them whether or not the chapter is prosperous.

THERE is an old adage the burden of which is that it is a good plan to "pay as you go," and it needs no argument here to prove the advice good. The annual general dues of the chapters fell on April first. Chapters should bear in mind that the collection of these dues is a difficult task if not attended to before the close of the Spring session, and that at times the chapter treasury is called upon to meet deficiencies. This can be avoided if a determined effort is made to settle the account before commence-

ment. Let every chapter end the year with its T. G. C. and SCROLL accounts squared to date.

THAT ANNUAL published at your college is wanted. We are expecting to have our Fifth review of College Annuals in the October number, and if every chapter could know how much matter of interest we were able to add to this volume by reason of the books received last year, there would be no question about our receiving the full list this year. We emphasize the request again and will heartily appreciate a generous response.

PRESIDENT HARRISON has again been a Phi banquetter; this time with California Alpha and the San Francisco Alumni. It was a happy reunion at which nearly every member, alumni as well as active, of California Alpha was present, and made justly famous by the presence of the chief magistrate of our Nation.

It may be that some of our esteemed rivals, possibly even our exchanges, may resurrect facetious remarks concerning a Presidential horn the Fraternity is blowing, but if such be the case, it will in no wise disturb the pleasure we take in recording every event which shows the loyal and cordial feeling of the President towards Phi Delta Theta. We congratulate our brothers of the "Golden Gate" on the success of their annual banquet.

CHAPTER CORRESPONDENCE.

ALPHA PROVINCE.

MAINE ALPHA, COLBY UNIVERSITY.

To Missouri Gamma the Eastern Star Chapter extends her congratulations and bids her welcome to a place under the triangular banner. The S. I. U. of Maine State College, whose petition Maine Alpha, supported by Alpha Province, protested against, thereby causing its refusal were chartered recently as the Beta Upsilon chapter of *Δ Τ Ω*. While wishing them success, we see no cause to regret our action. We learn that the same fraternity either has or soon will have a petition from this college to act upon.

Our own chapter has but little to record, we have been prospering in a quiet way, making preparations for a great change, which will more than astonish the other chapters here.

On April 1st we celebrated our seventh anniversary with the following exercises: Oration, by Brother Morse; Poem, Brother Green; History, Brother Gallert; Prophecy, Brother Shepherd; followed by a collation in the hall. Joy we had, that the chapter which was founded under so many difficulties had prospered to such a degree and in seven years had attained a position for which our rivals had worked almost forty; but we were sad, when we reflected that on the next anniversary, the five good fellows from ninety-one, who had done so much for the chapter could not be with us. Our only consolation was the Preps, who had chosen the "white and blue" for their college course.

We intend to keep open house for all Phis in Maine. That reminds us that Prof. Munson, he of Mich. B. and N. Y. A. fame, who has recently taken a professorship in the State College, is meeting with great success having already acquired a reputation, which extends throughout Maine.

Bro. Pierce, who was the Colby delegate to the Y. M. C. A. training school, met while there, Bro. Lewis, of Vermont A. Our meeting members of that chapter is very pleasant, and if they think the same of us, as we do of them, we can make a first class mutual admiration society.

Harry Prince, '88, after vainly wandering throughout the West after fortune, deciding to try his luck nearer home, has bought a half interest in the *Waterville Mail* and settled down right here. Our older brothers are all getting the idea that they are unable to support themselves, and must have some one to help them. Bro. C. E. Tilden, '83, is the next man for whom

the church bells will ring, on the day when Miss Etta Hodgon, of Bangor, takes his name. Bro. Tilden has charge of over three thousand children, and can still be everybody's friend, as of old. Brother Googins, '86, although not married himself will tell about some persons who were, in his new novel now in press. This novel has been read by some of the prominent authors, who pronounce it a great success, and predict a large run for it.

Maine Alpha don't like to kick, but she would like to obtain answers to the following questions: Are the reports of the last province convention published? If not, why not? If so, why have we not received some of them? If, as we suppose, everybody's business is nobody's business, and the reports are still untouched, Bro. Orcutt will confer a favor on us all by taking hold of the matter and hustling them through.

Bro. Sheldon, '92, has recently been elected principal of Bridge Academy at Dresden, Me., and granted one year's leave of absence to complete his college course, or in other words our men are engaged a year and a half before they graduate. We expect to have three men at Atlanta next fall. We trust and hope that Alpha Province sentiment will prevail in regard to granting charters, curbing some chapters, and rousing up others. We would suggest that not only should the historian's records but also files of all the fraternity organs be provided by the proper officials, in order that chapters may be looked upon in all their possible phases. In closing, we would again request all Phis living in Maine to join us, wishing the Fraternity the same success, as her Eastern star has had. I remain

Yours in the Bond,

A. G. HURD.

Waterville, May 2, 1891.

VERMONT ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT.

We have read the annual circular letters of our sister chapters with interest and are pleased to notice the marked success that has attended each one of them. Truly, the past year has been one of unusual prosperity for the wearers of the white and blue. We are much pleased to learn that we have some new brothers in St. Louis, and to those brothers we extend a most hearty welcome.

A good deal of interest in athletics has been aroused here this spring. Our ball team, by far the best one in the history of the University, is meeting with very flattering success. June 15–19 the team will make its regular down country trip, at which time it will meet Yale, Williams, Amherst, and Trinity. The Phis on the club are looking forward to this trip with a good deal of pleasure, as it will give them an opportunity of visiting our

brothers at Massachusetts Alpha and Beta. Bros. Grow and Leach are on the athletic team that will represent the University of Vermont at the annual meet of the N. E. I. A. A.

At the recent election of *Cynic* editors, the following Phis were chosen to positions on the board: Bros. Mower, '92, Lewis, Stewart and Kilbourn, Bro. Mower being the editor-in-chief. The college annual, the *Ariel*, is just out, and is the best one that has been published thus far, reflecting much credit upon the Editor-in-chief, Bro. Mower, '92. We should be pleased to exchange with any of our sister chapters.

Work is progressing very rapidly upon the buildings that are being erected for Electrical and Mechanical Engineering.

The first college reception of the term will be held at the Billings Library, Friday evening. It bids fair to be one of the most pleasant social events of the season. Bro. Leach is a member of the reception committee.

Commencement this year will be of unusual interest, since it will mark the one hundredth anniversary of the granting of the charter to our University. Bro. Mould is to deliver the president's address, and Bro. Hawley the campus oration on class day. Our annual re-union and banquet will be held on Tuesday evening, June 23. We desire to make this re-union especially enjoyable, and therefore earnestly hope that as many of our alumni as possible will make a strong effort to be with us. Come back, brothers and renew your pledges to Phi Delta Theta and meet the many new Phis that have joined us since you left.

Yours in $\Phi\iota$—$\chi\varepsilon\iota\alpha$,

T. C. CHENEY.

Burlington, May 10, 1891.

MASSACHUSETTS ALPHA, WILLIAMS COLLEGE.

Since the last letter from Massachusetts Alpha, the winter term has come and gone. This is always the most monotonous season of the college year, and the past term was no exception to the rule. An excellent course of entertainment, provided by F. F. Thompson, of New York, and the performance of the college opera club were about the only things which served to break into the regular routine of study.

No new members have been taken into Massachusetts Alpha nor is it likely that any will be in the near future. The spring term brought all our fellows back, fired with a new zeal for the prosperity of their chapter and Fraternity.

The base ball nine under the efficient leadership of Capt. Hotchkiss, who is one of our '91 delegation, is doing some hard training and we may justly expect that the season will be a successful one for Williams. At any rate, our opponents will have

a team to contend with, which is determined to win the pennant if this is possible.

Five of seven seniors have received preliminary appointments for Commencement. Bro. Newton will be Pipe-orator. Bro. Wilson, '92, has recently been elected a member of the "Lit" board; and Bro. Searle, '93, has received an appointment as one of five Sophomores to speak at Commencement.

Massachusetts Alpha has received the circular letters, and has been pleased to notice the ever-increasing prosperity of the chapters of Phi Delta Theta all through the country. The present condition of the Fraternity affords an exceedingly bright outlook for her future. The policy of the Fraternity in granting no new charters, although applications have been made, meets the entire approval of Massachusetts Alpha.

During the present year the college has been the recipient of gifts amounting to more than $100,000 and in addition three laboratories will soon be built, another gift of Williams' generous alumnus, F. F. Thompson. These will afford much better facilities for the study of Biology, Chemistry and Physics.

E. J. COLLIER.

Williamstown, May 5, 1891.

MASSACHUSETTS BETA, AMHERST COLLEGE.

On May 6th the first ball game in the championship series was played with Williams, resulting in a victory for Amherst. At this game the championship pennant was raised over the grand stand. The proposed dedication of the new athletic field was necessarily postponed, owing to the sudden death of Mr. Charles Pratt, of Brooklyn, father of the donor. In the evening occurred the Junior Exhibition in Oratory, for the Lester prizes.

Since the last writing another election to Φ *B K* has been announced and Massachusetts Beta finds two of her '92 delegation among the men drawn.

Affairs at our chapter house are in a somewhat volcanic condition. Improvements, both inside and outside, have disturbed the serenity of the dwelling, but when a new lawn and new floors shall have become a reality, we will forget the inconvenience of a few days. Our house accommodates from twelve to fifteen men and makes a pleasant home during the college year. We extend congratulations and a welcome to Missouri Gamma.

HOWARD A. LINCOLN.

Amherst, May 10, '91.

RHODE ISLAND ALPHA, BROWN UNIVERSITY.

The spring term has been one of decided prosperity for Brown. Every department in the University is in a very flourishing condition, and the coming commencement bids fair to usher out one of the most prosperous years in the annals of the college. Wilson Hall is completed and has been oocupied since February; the Ladd Observatory only awaits the arrival of the new telescope, and the foundations of the new Gymnasium are finished. Through the efforts of our honored President, after this year Brown will matriculate students for the degree of Bachelor of Science, and also for the degree of Civil Engineer.

Brown has taken the initiative among colleges in purchasing a war canoe. A stock company has been formed among the students, and the canoe will probably arrive in a few days. She is to be named the "Paumpagussit," the Narragansett word for sea god. The arrival and trial of the boat will be quite an event in Brown boating circles, and it is hoped that it will be followed by an increased enthusiasm for that sport, for which Brown, by her situation, is so peculiarly adapted.

The Brown Minstrel show, given in the Providence Opera House on Friday and Saturday, May 1, and 2, was a decided hit. About $500.00 were realized, which will be placed at the disposal of the Base Ball Association.

Rhode Island Alpha still maintains her wonted prosperity. Since my last letter we have initiated Brother Nightengale of Louisville, Ky., and the outlook for the coming year is very encouraging, giving promise of a bountiful harvest in the fall. Letters received from Bro. Hartsock, '89, Brown's first missionary, give gratifying reports of his success. He is situated about sixteen or seventeen days sail up the Congo from Stanley Pool, at Irebon, a village of two or three thousand inhabitants.

Congratulating our sister chapters upon the success and prosperity of the past year, as shown by the numerous chapter letters received, we wish you equal success in the year to come.

Yours in the Bond,

A. P. RECCORD.

Providence, May 8, 1891.

NEW YORK ALPHA, CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

Several things of importance have occurred since our last report. The Phis, who were with the Glee and Banjo clubs on their western tour, were very hospitably received by the Ann Arbor men in their new, commodious chapter house. Several

Phis have called on us when here with the athletic teams of their colleges and we have always been glad to entertain them.

We have a fraternity foot ball team and last week defeated the Phi Gamma Delta's. We expect to play several more games. We forfeited our contests in the Inter-fraternity Tennis Association as our court is not finished and we have no men in training. The league is composed of *K A*, *X Ψ*, *θ Δ X*, *B θΠ*, *Φ K Ψ*, *Δ Υ*, *Ψ Υ*, and *Φ Δ θ*.

Prof. Alfred Emerson of Lake Forest University and Prof. J. S. Sterritt gave lectures here recently before the Classical Association. Both are Phis.

Bro. Frenkel is one of the six prize orators of the Senior Laws. Bro. Gardner is one of the nine men who compose the "Chancery," a social club of the same class.

Bro. Hurd will preside at the Senior Banquet next week. This is the second time he has had the office of class toastmaster.

Bro. Dudley R. Horton paid us a visit last term and went with several of the members as far as Syracuse with the Glee and Banjo clubs. Bro. Horton is a charter member of N. Y. Alpha and has always shown the greatest loyalty for everything pertaining to *Φ Δ θ*.

The Law fraternity whose entrance was mentioned in our last letter is Delta Chi. A chapter of Sigma Alpha Epsilon, was recently established. W. S. GILBERT.

Ithach, May 9, 1891.

NEW YORK BETA, UNION COLLEGE.

New York Beta will lose but one man this year by graduation and so will be materially stronger at the opening of the next college year than she was at the opening of the present year. The prospects are that the incoming class will be large and we have no fear that we will be able to secure a good delegation from '95. We have recently greatly improved our chapter hall by the addition of electric lights and other modern improvements and we can now safely say that we have as attractive rooms as any here.

Bros. Pickford, '90 and '92 and Briggs, '91, will resume their positions on the Hudson River Day Line Steamers about June 1st. We received a call from Bro. Wheeler, N. Y. Epsilon on his visit here May 6th, with the Syracuse base ball team.

In closing this, our last communication to the SCROLL, we wish to extend congratulations to the management on the efficiency and promptness with which our Fraternity paper has been published during the past year and hope it will, in spirit with the Fraternity continue to improve as it has done in the past.

Fraternally, H. W. BRIGGS.

Schenectady, May 8, 1891.

NEW YORK EPSILON, SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY.

On February 6, occurred our annual banquet and anniversary exercises at the chapter house. A goodly number of alumni were present at the exercises and just as we had finished, the Cornell yell rent the air, and seven brothers from New York Alpha appeared on the scene. After greetings we sat down thirty-nine in number to the banquet, after which the following list of toasts were responded to, Bro. R. W. Lowry acting as toast master: "Oration," E. Devine, '91; "History," Geo. Hammond, '93; "New York Alpha," B. F. Hurd, N. Y. *A* '91; "The Ladies," H. R. Jaquay, '93; "Our Aspirations," Thomas S. Bell, '92; "'92's Record," Wm. M. Fanton, '92; "Who is She," E. A. Hill, '83; "Prophesy," H. L. Ellsworth, '93; "Our Phi Home," W. S. Murray, '88; "'91 in the World," C. H. Wheeler, '91; "Cornell Co-Educational Spirit," F. G. Gardner, N. Y. *A*, '91; "Our Freshmen," Geo. H. Bond, '94. Bro. Fulton was then called upon to say something about "his specialty," (the ladies) after which the poem was read by E. P. Turner, '91.

After the toasts Bro. Smiley gave some selections from Shakspeare which were very well rendered. After spending some time in singing the company broke up. The following were present from Cornell; B. F. Hurd, '91, Frank G. Gardner, '91, W. L. Esterly, '91, Thomas C. Fulton, '92, Robert V. Jones, '92, Floyd K. Smith, 93, and John Hickey, '94. Bro. John Smiley, Union '91, was with us and the following alumni of New York Epsilon: E. A. Hill, '83; J. Devine, '83; E. J. Read, '86; W. S. Murray, '88, and H. O. Sibley, '89.

On February 17, an "invitation ball" was given by the Corpse and Coffin (Junior) society at which a goodly number of Cornell and Syracuse Phi's were present.

The crowning event of our college year was the formal opening of our new house on March 6, of which the *Evening Journal* speaks as follows:

"Yesterday afternoon and evening New York Epsilon of Phi Delta Theta gave a reception to their alumni, the faculty and their lady friends in their new chapter house on University avenue. This was one of the most brilliant social events ever given by the chapter. At 5 o'clock in the afternoon all was in readiness, and the guests began to arrive. Kapps' orchestra in an anteroom opening into the dining hall, parlors and rotunda, discoursed music, and the house was tastefully decorated with flowers. A fine floral piece showing the three Greek letters, Phi Delta Theta, graced the front parlor, and smilax and Florida moss (the letter sent from Florida by Mrs. J. Dorman Steele), beautified every room. The reception in the afternoon was to



the faculty and elder alumni. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Parce, Mr. and Mrs. Sibley, Mr. and Mrs. Murray, Mr. and Mrs. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Reed, Mr. and Mrs. Peck, Prof. and Mrs. Smalley, Prof. and Mrs. Haanel, Dr. and Mrs. Coddington, Dr. and Mrs. Sims, Prof. and Mrs. Parker, Dr. French, Miss French, Prof. Clark, Prof. Fischer, Prof. Pattee. The evening reception at 9 o'clock was to the younger friends of the chapter. About one hundred guests were present. Dr. S. B. Crayton, Mr. C. H. Wheeler, Mr. W. W. Fanton, Mr. A. G. Gardner, Miss L. Schreuder, Miss Mason and Miss E. J. Reede, acted as the reception committee. Nine Phi Delta Theta boys were present from Cornell, three from Union and two from Princeton. They were Messrs. Smiley, Reddish and Gillespie from Union; F. G. Gardner, W. H. Hapgood, H. G. Foltz, John Hickey, B. F. Hurd, R. V. Jones, W. S. Gilbert, Burton Strait and C. Struble, from Cornell; and Ben Hammond and G. Wheeler from Princeton."

Almost every member appeared in full dress as also did the ladies and the reception has given us a social reputation which we never had before.

Bro. Fanton is historian of the Junior class; Bro. Ellsworth is President of the Sophomore class; Bro. Larkin is President of the Freshmen class, and Bro. Nichols is prophet of the Freshmen class.

Yours in the Bond,

EDWARD D. RICH.

Syracuse, March 16, 1891.

PENNSYLVANIA BETA, PENNSYLVANIA COLLEGE.

Although Pennsylvania Beta failed to send in a letter for the April number of the SCROLL, she has not been idle. The fires upon her alter are burning as brightly as ever.

February 18, the day set aside by the Fraternity as Alumni Day was duly observed by us. Quite a number of our alumni favored us with their presence. In the afternoon we held a meeting for the purpose of discussing the Chapter House question. We first decided to build. After discussing ways and means for a short time, we thought it advisable to see what could be raised on the spot. The boys responded liberally and in a short time $600 were pledged with prospects of more later on. We also selected a very beautiful site on the college campus. Since that afternoon we have written to our other alumni and liberal responses are coming in from time to time. The Chapter House committee are Bros. Troxell, Reddig, Walker, Wolf, R. B., and Keen.

This year we will loose by graduation four men. Although they have taken no honors we feel safe in saying that they are solid men and will make their mark in the world. On Class Day Bro. Walker will have the prophesy.

In the recent election for business manager of the *College Monthly*, Bro. Brallier was chosen to represent Phœna in that capacity.

On the evening of May 5, we held our sixteenth anniversary. We observed the usual ceremonies after which we retired to Mennigh's where a light supper was served us.

Yours in the Bond,

EDWIN O. KEEN.

Gettysburgh, May 8, 1891.

PENNSYLVANIA GAMMA, WASHINGTON AND JEFFERSON COLLEGE.

Since our last letter to the SCROLL, we have taken into our number the following gentlemen: Charles B. Weirick, '92, Simon S. Baker, '92 and John H. Carline of '94, three worthy additions to the chapter roll of Pennsylvania Gamma. We now number thirteen active members.

Several events have taken place during the last two terms at W. and J., worthy of mention and remembrance. The first was the Fraternity dance given by the $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$, $\Delta\ T\ \Delta$, $\Phi\ K\ \Psi$ and $\Phi\ K\ \Sigma$ Fraternities, each having a representative on the committee. Another occasion was the dance given by the Class of '92 to the Seniors of '91, both these hops being a social success. The most important college entertainment, however, was the opening concert of the W. and J. Banjo, Mandolin and Guitar Club, given in the Opera House at Washington. Two concerts have been given since by the Club, one at Wheeling, W. Va., and the other at St. Clairsville, O.; the concert at Wheeling deserving special mention.

Pennsylvania Gamma as usual is ably represented in this organization by having three out of the fourteen members of the club, H. B. Hughes, M. D. Hayes and B. G. Hughes. The performances of the club have so far been an honor to the members and also to the College which gives it its name.

Yours in the Bond,

M. D. HAYES.

Washington, May 4, 1891.

PENNSYLVANIA DELTA, ALLEGHENY COLLEGE.

The spring term finds the college authorities active in securing funds for the erection of a new gymnasium. The building will be of stone and will cost about $5,000.

Pennsylvania Delta is nearing the close of one of the most pleasant and successful years of her existence. We have secured with little difficulty the men we want and at the close of the year we find we have not been mistaken in our choice. We have one new brother to usher into the Greek world, Bro. Harry H. Cumings, Jr., '94, of Tidioute, Pa. A very amusing fact connected with his initiation was that while he was on his way to our rooms to be initiated, he was drawn aside by another fraternity and tendered an invitation. Of the present members of the chapter, one half have received invitations from other fraternities.

Phi Delta Theta was recently very much pleased to receive an invitation to a reception given in our honor by Kappa Alpha Theta. All present had a most enjoyable time.

On April 15th, the Centenary Oration prize of Philo Franklin Literary Society—the largest prize given by any society—was won by your reporter.

The Kaldron, of which Bro. Black is Editor-in-Chief, is ready for the binder and will be out about June 1st. This year's *Kaldron* will doubtless surpass all previous issues in appearance and merit. Every alumnus of the chapter should procure a copy.

Yours in the Bond,

CLARENCE F. ROSS.

Meadville, May 8, 1891.

PENNSYLVANIA EPSILON, DICKINSON COLLEGE.

We have already begun to cast an eye to the future, not anxious but watchful. We lose four men this year and while perhaps it would not be seemly for your reporter, who chances to be one of them, to dilate too greatly on their collective importance, yet he may, at least, say of the other three that their experience, conservatism and earnest solicitude for the advancement of the Fraternity, will be missed next year. Competition will be strong, as there will be seven Fraternities and a local society—which also calls itself a Fraternity—in the field. But as Pres. Reed expects a Freshman class of 125, there should be plenty of material for all, and we, at least, in our present splendid condition, have no fears.

Bro. Turpin, '90, who has not in the least forgotten us, sent recently the details of a plan which we immediately adopted and now suggest to any other chapter to whom it may seem good. An officer, called the Registrar, is elected yearly, whose duty it is to keep in a large book, an account of all members of the Fraternity. Each man is given a page or more and when he enters the Fraternity a brief account of his life is given. Anything of importance during his college course is noted down and after he leaves college his career is followed and indicated, by newspaper

clippings or in any manner. When he dies the account is closed and we have a more or less complete biography which must be invaluable. The co-operation of the man interested would easily be secured and would perhaps serve to keep the alumni interested in their Fraternity, if any such reminders were necessary. We think this plan, which seems to be original with Bro. Turpin, a very good one and would like to have an expression of opinion concerning it.

Bro. Huic, Pennsylvania Beta, was in town last month as delegate to a Y. M. C. A. Convention and dropped in on us Friday night. We were delighted to see him and to hear of the doings of Pennsylvania Beta and of their prospective chapter house and many other things of interest to us. Such visits are extremely pleasant and profitable and altogether to infrequent.

The faculty have recently given students the privilege of electing an "Intermediary Committee of seven, who shall be a medium of communication between faculty and students." Bros. Neal, Fasick and Stephens represent us on the august body. We also have one man on the base ball team, which promises to to be the best Dickinson has had for years.

We will have our banquet during Commencemeut week—day not yet decided upon—and would earnestly urge all alumni of our chapter or any other, to be present if possible, as we intend to have a royal good time.

Yours in the Bond,

W. W. LANDIS.

Carlisle, May 7, 1891.

PENNSYLVANIA ZETA, UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA.

Since the last letter to THE SCROLL we have initiated four good men: Chester Hughes Kirk, '91; Walter Isaac Cooper, '93; George Post Wheeler, '93, and George Douglass Codman, '94. This increases the number of our initiations this year to eight, and each has been the occasion of a jolly meeting. From the present outlook our chapter will start in next fall with a pretty full quota of members. Twenty-two of our men expect to return, and we know of at least two affiliates, while several others may make their appearance. We hope to be in a larger home and in that case will be able to receive our Phis from without the city more hospitably.

Bro. J. C. Moore, Jr., has been elected a member of the Sophomore Cremation Committee, and Bro. Terashima has been selected as one of the orators of the occasion. Bro. J. M. West is again running in good form, and will make good time in the long runs this spring. Bros. Latta and Lathbury, '90, and Anderson '91, who receive the degree of C. E. this year, have presented



as their joint thesis plans and specifications for the Market street elevated road which Philadelphia expects to have soon. The plans have attracted much attention from engineers of the city on account of their originality and will be submitted to the company.

Alpha Tau Omega has once more made its appearance at the University, granting a charter to a number of its alumni attending Pennsylvania, mostly in the medical Department. With initiates they have now a chapter of fifteen. Psi Upsilon has finally granted a charter to the local society of Upsilon Kappa which applied for it somewhat over two years ago. The chapter was installed on the evening of the 5th of May, with a list of thirty-five charter members. The chapter is unusually strong for a new one, and has good alumni backing in the city.

Yours in the Bond,

EDWARD A. SHUMWAY.

Philadelphia, May 8, 1891.

PENNSYLVANIA ETA, LEHIGH UNIVERSITY.

It is with a peculiar feeling of satisfaction that the reporter is able to record, in this last report of the collegiate year, the sound basis upon which the chapter has at last established itself. The establishment of a fraternity at Lehigh when there are already influential ones founded, is accomplished only through difficulties of a very grave nature. Outside of the establishment, the real problem which presents itself, is to place the chapter on such a basis that its influence may be felt in the college at large.

That this has been accomplished in the four years of our existence can be truly said. And it is to be hoped that the same spirit will exist in the future as in the past, to baffle with the difficulties in the struggle for existence.

Our fourth anniversary was celebrated by the initiation of Bro. Gjertsen in a new and most novel manner. Bro. Gjertsen is a member of the LaCrosse team.

Bros. Coates and Curtis have had the honor of being elected members of the Manhattan Athletic club.

For next year's *Epitome* board Bros. Blickle and Knox will represent us. Bro. DuBois has been appointed on the Junior Hop Committee. Bro. Leech is manager of the Freshman LaCrosse team.

It is to be hoped that in any case any Phis should know of the intention of young men entering Lehigh, who possess the necessary qualifications of a Phi, that they would communicate with us, believing that a great deal of assistance can be rendered in this manner.

H. W. DUBOIS.

Bethlehem, May 5, 1891.

BETA PROVINCE.

South Carolina Beta, University of South Carolina.

But a few more weeks will pass by before this session will close with us, so it is fitting that we take a glance at our work for this college year. It must be confessed that, though we have been laboring at somewhat of a disadvantage, our work has not come up to what we might have hoped. We have initiated two men, William Coulter Cothran and Andrew Bowie Wardlaw, both of '94, but we have just reasons for being proud of them.

The trustees have at last acted and have both reduced the number of professors and the number of courses. Their object is to make the work here "much narrower but much deeper," but this can hardly result in other than a reduction of the number of students.

The relations among the nine fraternities here are most pleasant and this session, as last was, will be closed with a Pan-Hellenic german and banquet in which all of them will particpate.

Our prospects for next session are not specially bright but we can not doubt that when it closes our chapter will be able to send a much more encouraging resume of the work done.

Yours in $\Phi\ \Delta\ \theta$,

J. D. Rast.

Columbia, May 8, 1891.

Kentucky Delta, Central University.

We were represented on the declaimer's contest by Bros. Bayless and Taylor, both of whom did splendidly, the latter winning second place, being beaten by a fraction. He was the youngest of the declaimers and we are proud of such a creditable performance with older and and more experienced declaimers.

The Phi boys and their girl friends went picnicing on Saturday, April 25. The place visited was the famous old fort at Boonesboro, on the Kentucky river, where we spent the day dancing, boating, promenading, sketching historic trees and mounds, and "eating." We reached home at 9 P. M. after a most enjoyable day.

Our tennis set has arrived and through the kindness of our esteemed Chancellor we have a beautiful court on the campus. There, the Phi boys and girls and their friends spend the afternoons most pleasantly playing tennis on a court carpeted with bluegrass.

As this is my last report for this scholastic year, I wish to report a year of prosperity and progression in our chapter.

Our prospects for next year are very bright and I earnestly hope and expect that each member will return in the fall and work faithfully for the welfare of his chapter. May success attend you all.

M. H. GUERRANT.

Richmond, May 8, 1891.

GAMMA PROVINCE.

GEORGIA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA.

For the last time of this collegiate year of 1890–91 does Georgia Alpha appear on the pages of the SCROLL and a feeling of sadness will come over some of the older members of the chapter when they remember that they will soon sever their connection with her. Also it is but a short while before five members of Georgia Alpha will leave the halls of their Alma Mater forever. But there is a consciousness in the hearts of every one of the graduating members of the chapter that in no part of their college career they would not have sacrificed their all for the prosperity of Georgia Alpha. Established in 1871, through her twenty years of existence the chapter has never had a member to bring disgrace upon her or the principles of the Fraternity. By the graduation of the class of '91, she will lose some of her most valiant and patriotic members, still they have sown the principles of our grand Order with an unstinted hand and they will leave behind them a monument to their fidelity in the discharge of the duty laid upon them. She is proud of her past and hopeful of her future and to-day she challenges comparison with any Fraternity at the University of Georgia. It would probably not be out of place to give a list of her honors in the past year. She has initiated six men and thus stands among the first with respect to numbers. Bros. Govan and Warren were elected Spring Debaters by the Phi Kappa and Demosthenian Societies, Bro. Park took a Junior speaker's place, Bro. Wright a Senior speaker's place, Bro. King was Anniversarian of the Demosthenian Society, and Bro. Tribble in a contest was chosen to represent the University in the Southern Inter-Collegiate Oratorical Contest which comes off at the University of Virginia this year. This is her record and I don't think that any chapter has a better one. She also has the first three men in the Sophomore class and a good representation in all the classes besides this. She is well represented in the athletics of the college. The next Convention meets on Georgia's soil and we hope to make it worthy of the State and the Georgia chapters. We hope then to renew our pledges and strengthen the fraternity spirit.

ANTON POPE WRIGHT.

Athens, May 3, 1891.

GEORGIA BETA, EMORY COLLEGE.

The term so soon to close has been one of marked interest and enthusiasm for Emory. One of the happiest events was the class tree exercises of the class of '91, at which the Dux in behalf of the class, presented to Dr. Candler for Emory College, the handsome gift of $5,000.00. Besides this expressive token of the loyalty of Emory boys, our earnest and Christian President has about secured the balance of the endowment fund of an $100,000.00, and with all things in harmony, and a noble and devoted faculty the term will close the brightest page in her history.

The sporting world at Emory is alive to the demands of the season. The superior advantages of a well equipped gymnasium offer a splendid course of physical training, while the gay tennis clubs are sources of great pleasure and development. Nor is the national game neglected. Emory now has the finest team in the history of the college. On the 15th inst. the University team will meet us on our own diamond when we hope to retrieve the score of 12 to 1 made against us at Union Point.

Bro. Joel T. Daves, our first honor man of '90, greeted us a few days since with kind words of love and a warm pressure of the hand. Come again, Bro. Joel and all ye alumni, come to see us.

It is with more than ordinary pleasure that we introduce to the circle of Φ Δ Θ Bro. J. H. Hallman of Atlanta, who has recently taken his stand with Georgia *B* behind the sword and shield.

Your reporter in his former letter made some errors in referring to our last year's honor roll. We hasten to correct them. Φ Δ Θ had only the three first honors and not the fourth which was obtained by Mr. O. L. Kelley, a Δ Τ Δ man and in apologizing to Δ Τ Δ for this mistake we would say, that it was not intentional, but owing to the misunderstanding of the reporter. We would not intentionally detract from any sister fraternity's honors and achievements. In this connection permit us to say that Δ Τ Δ is held in highest esteem at Emory and her boys are such as all delight to honor and to love. Another mistake of minor importance, the printer made us say *three* champion debaters' places instead of *two*.

We are gratified to see from the annual letters that Φ Δ Θ is holding her place in the fraternity world. Don't forget the Convention meets in Atlanta in October. Come and enjoy Georgia hospitality and a feast of fraternity love. Georgia *B* remains

Yours in the Bond,

CARLE R. THOMPSON.

Oxford, May 6, 1891.

TENNESSEE ALPHA, VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY.

In this her last letter for the session of 1891, Tennessee Alpha is glad to report that the present year has been the most successful in the history of the chapter. Genuine fraternity spirit among her members has been more marked than for many years past, and with this spirit has been united a harmonious and earnest effort to advance all the true interests of Phi Delta Theta.

As reported in our April letter, we have been completely victorious in our contest for new men. In scholarship the members of Tennessee Alpha rank well among the first. In social circles the wearers of the white and blue have no superiors. In all that we do we take as our guide the principle of our sacred Bond.

With the fraternities at Vanderbilt there is no longer any question as to whether or not chapter houses are really needed in order to gain most from Greek life. Several efforts to secure building lots upon the campus have been made by single fraternities, and last year the fraternities, as a whole, petitioned the Board of Trustees for ground for chapter houses. All these efforts have been futile. Phi Delta Theta and Beta Theta Pi, so far as I know, are the only fraternities that are working with any definite plan for the securing of chapter houses.

Vanderbilt is now rejoicing over the success of their representative in Southern Inter-collegiate Oratorical contest. On May 6, Mr. J. Washington Moore, a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity, won the medal over representatives from University of Va.; University of the South; University of South Carolina; University of North Carolina, and Washington and Lee. The contest took place at the University of Virginia. Next year it will be held at Vanderbilt.

On April 4, Bros. F. A. Brockman and A. Riley Hardin were elected by the faculty to contest for the Founder's and Young medal respectively.

Again would we thank the editor and manager for making the SCROLL for 1890–'91, the best since it was first issued.

Wishing success to all our Alumni Phis, to all who this year go out into the world, and to those of our younger brothers who are to carry on the cause of Phi Delta Theta, I am

Yours in the Bond,

PAUL M. JONES.

Nashville, May 1, 1891.

TENNESSEE BETA, UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH.

At the opening of the term there was a movement among some of the chapters having in view the giving of more power to the Pan-Hellenic Convention. It was proposed among other things.

to petition the Faculty to allow the Convention the refusal of all applications for charters from Fraternities desiring to place chapters at the University hereafter. It was felt that the grant of a charter to the pseudo Fraternity, *T Δ Σ*, (which, sad to relate, had its origin here), was unwise and it was desired that there should be no like mistake in future. As some of the chapters thought it unwise to make the Pan-Hellenic Convention a legislative body no change was made. It has been decided to hold an inter-fraternity tournament some time in the summer.

T Δ Σ and *K Σ* have had some trouble in Knoxville, but as yet we have no particulars. The chapters have all been very busy improving their grounds. We report with sincere regret the loss of Bro. F. M. Purnell, an affiliate from Georgia Beta. We have affiliated this spring Bro. W. M. Jorden from Alabama Alpha.

There have been very few initiates so far this term. There seems to be a growing tendency toward a more careful selection of men and a longer period of probation than heretofore. There can be no doubt that a conservative policy is beneficial to a chapter. The initiates for the term by chapters are as follows: *Δ T Ω*, 1; *Σ A E*, 1; *Φ Δ Θ*, 0; *Δ T Δ*, 2; *K A*, 0; *K Σ*, 2; *Σ N*, 0.

We are all looking forward to the Convention in Atlanta in October with a great deal of pleasure. We have already elected our delegate but all hope to be present.

ELWOOD WILSON.

Sewanee, May 6, 1891.

ALABAMA BETA, ALABAMA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE.

Since our last letter we have initiated Bros. Walter C. Darwin, '94, of Huntsville, Ala., and Walter Merrit Riggs, '93, of Orangeburg, South Carolina, whom we now introduce to the Phi world as men worthy to wear the white and blue and of both of whom we are justly proud.

On May 1st, in the Annual third class declamation, where eleven members were permitted to declaim, the Phis were represented by Bro. Walter M. Riggs, who won for himself the beautiful gold medal and for us a lasting honor. On Memorial Day Bro. L. E. Baker was the orator of the occasion and acquitted himself handsomely. In the coming annual oratorical contest between the literary societies which takes place during the Commencement, we will be worthily represented by Bros. L. E. Baker and W. F. Feagin. Bro. Feagin has also been put on the speaker's list from his class.

In addition to the Brussels carpet of which we spoke in our last, our hall has been recently furnished with a fine set of antique oak furniture. There is no doubt that the boys are filled with that spirit, which is always characteristic of success and are

determined to spare no means in making it one of the prettiest halls in the town.

We graduate this Commencement, three of our most worthy brothers, Bro. L. E. Baker, Senior Captain; Bro. R. C. Smith, First Lieutenant and Adjutant; and Bro. Peter Reynolds, Lieutenant, who take to themseives the title B. S. We shall be sorry to part with them, but as we cannot have them with us always, we wish them lives of pleasure and prosperity.

We have had with us during the year Bros. Jas. Wilkinson, Robt. E. Noble and Andrew M. Loyd, who all hold positions in the College, and as post-graduates take to themselves this Commencement the titles and honors of M. S. Recently we have had with us as visitors, Bros. Dickson Armstrong, of Brazil; Robt. Thatch, who, by the way was accompanied by his lovely and charming bride; Bro. E. Burts, of Columbus; Bro. John Spratling, who has just returned from Medical College where he received the title M. D.

We have begun preparations for our annual banquet, which takes place on Wednesday night, June 10th. We extend a cordial invitation to all our Phi brothers and assure those who attend a hearty welcome.

Yours in the Bond of $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$,

WALTER B. CLAY.

Auburn, May 2, 1891.

DELTA PROVINCE.

LOUISIANA ALPHA, TULANE UNIVERSITY.

Louisiana Alpha's new reporter enters upon the duties of his office with the advantage of having something to write about in his first letter, for on Saturday, May 2nd, the Tulane Spring Games took place, and we have victories to report. Bro. H. P. Jones won the 120 yards hurdle race, thereby securing a gold medal, while Bro. E. P. Brady won the 440 yards run, for which he received a gold medal, and was a member of the winning team in the three-legged race, two silver medals being the prizes awarded in this contest. This makes a total of 3 prizes out of 15, the remaining 12 being distributed as follows: $K\ A$ (1); $\Sigma\ X$, (1); $A\ T\ \Omega$, (2); $K\ \Sigma$, (1); $\Delta\ T\ \Delta$, (0); Barbs, (7).

We acknowledge the receipt of the Amherst *Olio* from Massachusetts B. Many thanks to our brothers in far New England for thus kindly remembering us. We hope the day will come when Louisiana A may reciprocate, but so far Tulane publishes nothing whatever, though there is a plan on foot to start a monthly publication.

During April we had the pleasure of having present at a meeting Bro. Roper of the recently installed Missouri Gamma chapter. We were very much pleased with our new brother, and can wish Missouri Gamma nothing better than to secure such men in its future career. It is with great pleasure that we hand over to her the title of "baby chapter" which has so long been ours.

The next event of any importance in Tulane will be the contest for the Glendy Burke Elocution Medal, in which we are represented by Bro. John R. Conniff. Bro. Conniff captured a gold medal for elocution in the anniversary exercises of the Glendy Burke Literary Society and we feel satisfied that his chances for success in this contest are very good indeed.

Yours in the Bond,

H. B. GESSNER.

New Orleans, May 4, 1891.

EPSILON PROVINCE.

OHIO ALPHA, MIAMI UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter, President Warfield has been offered and has accepted the Presidency of Lafayette College, Easton, Pennsylvania. This college and Miami have had a peculiar relative history; years ago, Miami secured President Junkin from Lafayette, who after his administration here returned to his "first love." While President Benjamin Harrison is an alumnus of Miami, his son, Russell B. Harrison is a graduate of Lafayette.

Several prominent educators have been mentioned from whom to elect a successor to President Warfield, but it is too early to make predictions.

During the last month, Alpha of *B θ Π* has given two dancing parties in their hall to the members of our chapter and ladies. These have proven most enjoyable affairs, and the kindness and courtesy is greatly appreciated.

WALTER C. HARRIS.

Oxford, May 1, 1891.

OHIO BETA, OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

Ohio Beta comes with pride before her sister chapters at being able to make this her last report the best for the year.

Since our last letter we have had the pleasure of dealing with a large collection of varied, but first class Phi material. Two reporters, a base ball "fan," a minister, and a musician have each successively felt the force of our arguments and as a result we are happy to introduce to the Phi world, five new brorhers:

Elmer Whitney, Delaware, O.; E. T. Miller, Delaware, O.; T. T. Shaw, West Rushville, O.; Aquilla Webb, Zaleski, O., and H. C. Lewis, Upper Sandusky, O.

All of these men were thought to be desirable by other fraternities, but we have yet to find the first instance this year where our invitation has been refused.

The last named gentleman, Mr. Lewis, was only secured after a most spirited rush with four other fraternities, lasting till the evening of his initiation. But, as if to show the inter-fraternity harmony of the different chapters here, three of the chapters participating in this "rush" tendered us a serenade on the night after the initiation and presented their congratulations in a body; but not to be outdone in good feeling, we opened wide our parlors and invited the gathering to partake of a light banquet. As all events in this college do, we ended by going to the "Sem." and each fraternity gave their "frat." yell.

We have but one college honor to report as coming to us in the last two months and that is the election of Bro. Robinson as orator for the Senior class at the laying of the corner stone of the new chapel during commencement week.

Base ball is now occupying the minds of our athletic men in college, and on account of our continued series of victories thus far, we are beginning to think we have a fine base ball club, perhaps the best college team in the State outside of Oberlin, and we hope soon to cross bats with their team.

The chapter is represented in the team by Shaw, s. s. and Harold, r. f. During the game last Saturday, in which Denison was defeated 10 to 0, we were glad to entertain Bros. Rane and Thompson of Ohio Zeta, and we wish it understood that when college teams play here, Ohio Beta will be glad to see and entertain brother Phis.

We have also had the pleasure of seeing Bro. Brown, of Montgomery, Ala., and Bro. Tom McConica, of Findlay, Ohio.

We are always glad to see the old boys back again, and will be especially pleased to see a large representation of them here during commencement week to attend our banquet at that time.

R. D. HOLLINGTON.

Delaware, May 8, 1891.

OHIO GAMMA, OHIO UNIVERSITY.

The spring term opened with the largest attendance at the O. U. for years. The Phis all returned and with them we were glad to welcome our old friend and Brother C. F. Beery, who for the past year has been teaching in Fairfield County. Since our last we have initiated one, Bro. Craven and pledged two others, all

of whom we are sure will be true and loyal brothers and an honor to the chapter.

We have been uniformly successful in our "rushing" and with no desire to boast, we can say that we have secured what in our opinion was "the pick of the flock." We do not wish to engage in a controversy with any of the local chapters here. We had hoped that our relations might continue the pleasantest with both our rivals but it seems that one of them will not have it so, as witness a letter from the O. U. in a recent issue of the *Rainbow*. Now, although we expect to graduate some good men this year, we can assure our esteemed well-wisher that enough will be left to take care of the interests of Φ Δ Θ at the O. U. We have been for some time pursuing a conservative course, with friendship for all, abstaining from anything likely to produce discord or strife, and from disparaging remarks concerning our rivals. Both have good chapters and we are glad of it and we are endeavoring to make our own better, but we know that we will not suffer from a comparison with any, above all with Δ T Δ.

We have secured our fair share of honors for the year, though contrary to the former custom, prominent positions are conferred rather with regard to the fitness of candidates than upon mere fraternity lines. In the Inter-Society contest of commencement week Φ Δ Θ has one representative, Β Θ Π one and Δ T Δ one. The local chapter of Π Β Φ recently established here is in a highly prosperous condition.

As usual Φ Δ Θ will banquet at the June commencement and no pains will be spared to make the occasion a "rousing" success. A cordial invitation is extended to our alumni and brother Phis to be present and participate in the festivities.

Yours in the Bond,

C. F. BLAKE.

Athens, April 30, 1891.

OHIO ZETA, OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.

Since writing our last letter the University has been shown many favors, both by the state legislature and other influential organizations all over the state. The passage of the Hysell Bill, giving us one-twentieth of a mill on the tax duplicate of the state, has placed the O. S. U. upon a firm foundation, and we sincerely hope that the college will recognize the fact that the people are looking upon this institution and that it will do its utmost towards giving the youth of Ohio that which wealth cannot buy —education.

The erection of three new buildings is being contemplated by the Board of Trustees; one is to be a Gymnasium and Drill Hall, to cost about $50,000; another to be the fire-proof Geolog-

ical Museum and Library, to cost about $80,000; the last one to be Manual Training Hall, to cost about $50,000. With the completion of these three much needed buildings, the Ohio State University will compare most favorably with any other state educational institution in the west. With the continued prosperity of the University, Ohio Zeta will do its utmost to keep up with the college and prosper in like proportion. We have initiated since our last letter to the SCROLL, Bros. Fred Isaac Askew, of Kansas City, Mo., and Edward Francis, of Paddy's Run, Ohio. Both are members of '95, with Freshman rank credits. Bro. Lindenberg represented us at the Province Convention at Indianapolis last March, and brought back with him Bro. Woodworth, of Ohio Gamma. Bro. Woodworth favored us with a rousing account of the doings of the convention. Bro. Samuel F. Owen, of Kentucky Beta, visited us a short time last month.

Hoping that Phi Delta Theta may prosper hereafter as she has done heretofore, we close the eighth and most prosperous year of the chapter's existence.

Yours in Φι—χεια,

FRANK D. ASKEW.

Columbus, May 7, 1891.

INDIANA ALPHA, INDIANA UNIVERSITY.

I take great pleasure in presenting to the Fraternity, Bro. Otto Baumgaertner, who was initiated January 29, amidst the solemnities imposed by the new ritual. He is a young man of marked ability and we are very proud of him. Our chapter now numbers sixteen congenial members and is in a very healthy condition. We are very sorry to be obliged to loose Bro. E. P. Cubberly at the end of this term. He goes to Ridgeville, Indiana, to take charge of the chair of science in a college there. On account of the excellency of his record he has been granted a leave of absence and will be allowed to graduate this year. Our number, however, will not be diminished, for Bro. Lewis, '93, will return next term, after a year's absence. We are also expecting the genial presence of Bro. O. V. Eaton, '94.

The State Oratorical Contest was held at Indianapolis on the 13th and several of the boys attended. For the first time in five years Indiana University sent a speaker to take part in the contest and he walked away with first place. The lucky man was Mr. Frank Fetter, Φ K Ψ, Bro. Bastian, of Indiana Zeta, coming very near first place in the decision. Bro. Carr, of Indiana Gamma was awarded third place.

Bro. R. E. Lyons, '89, who has been instructor in chemistry in the University since he graduated, was, at a recent meeting of the Trustees promoted to an Associate Professorship with a sub-

stantial salary. The promotion was well deserved and was received with satisfaction by all.

With best wishes for all Phis, I am,

Yours fraternally, W. W. FRENCH.

Bloomington, March 18, 1891.

INDIANA BETA, WABASH COLLEGE.

College life—like that of nature—has awakened from the winter and blossomed out with activity, more of sports than study. Field day occurs May 22nd, and the Phis promise a goodly company of contestants. Bros. Rhoads as short-stop and Abbott represent Φ Δ Θ on the nine. The Glee Club, in which Bro. McNutt, '92, is director and Bro. Little, '91, is manager, is in better condition than it has been for several seasons and will shortly start on a tour throughout the state. Much of their success thus far attained is attributed by all to the energetic and systematic drill-mastery of Bro. McNutt. Bro. Garner, with the flute and Olive, with the clarionet, represent us in the College Orchestra, which will doubtless also take a "trip."

Our Serenading Club consisting of Rhoads guitar, Richardson mandolin, Henry Little and "Willie" Wilson tenors, J. E. Mc Nutt and Crozier bassos, have of late gone upon the war-path and discoursed sweet—we'll term it such—strains for the unprotected maids.

We are just on the eve of starting for an outing at the Shades of Death, a much frequented resort which will be remembered by every Wabash man; it is needless to further state that fairer ones will accompany us and insure pleasure "more certain."

The circular letters received have been thoroughly digested and have infused new life into the Phi Body; especially interesting and beneficial were those of our own Province.

Commencement this year will deprive us of Bros. Frank Mc Nutt and Henry Little, both of whom the chapter will greatly miss as for years they have from time to time replenished the Grecian fire. Bro. Little's departure will be felt especially by the Glee Club while Bro. McNutt is an athlete of no mean report.

The college is to lose one of its ablest instructors by the departure of Dr. Coulter, of botanical fame, for Bloomington where he assumes the Presidency of the State University.

Commencement this year will be especially interesting on account of the dedication of Yandes Library. Elaborate preparations are being made and many of the alumni are expected to be present.

A warm welcome to Missouri Gamma on behalf of Indiana Beta.

ROBT. H. CROZIER.

Crawfordsville, May 8, 1891.

INDIANA GAMMA, BUTLER UNIVERSITY.

Bro. Davidson was called home the second week of the term on account of the serious illness of his father. We have greatly deplored Bro. Davidson's absence, but are now in hopes of having him with us again in time for final examinations.

In the year almost gone, the Phis have taken more than a majority of college honors. She has had four men in Champion Foot Ball team and now has four men in Base Ball team. Bro. Sellers is now absent as Inter-State delegate to the Inter-State Oratorical Contest at Des Moines, Iowa; Bro. Carr, in Indiana State Oratorical Contest, as winning man at Butler, won third place, a position not before attained by the University in years.

We lose by graduation this year five worthy Phis, and brothers whose loss we shall feel for time to come: Bros. McColley, Mavity, Sellers, DeHaas and Mathews. They will enter at once active fields of labor and go with our richest blessings and well-wishes for their future. Bro. McColley, Mathews, Mavity and Sellers will pursue their ministerial labors, while Bro. DeHaas will devote his energy to the profession of law. The Butler Annual, published by the Fraternities, will be out by June 1st, Bros. Davidson, Mathews and Williams representing $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$ on the staff of editors.

The standing of the Fraternities here has changed but little since our last letter. Delta Tau Delta has added two; Sigma Chi, two; Kappa Sigma, two; Kappa Kappa Gamma, none and Phi Delta Theta, none. We shall begin the next year thirteen men strong and already anticipate a year of pleasant victories.

The days of the closing weeks of the year have been carefully listed for the usual run of receptions, picnics, etc., and will keep our boys merrily busy. With heartiest greetings to our brother knights of the Sword and Shield.

Yours in the Bond,

A. A. WILLIAMS.

Irvington, May 6, 1891.

INDIANA DELTA, FRANKLIN COLLEGE.

The term completed has been one of the most successful in the history of Franklin college. A conditional gift of $10,000 has been promised by the American Baptist Educational Society, with which the present endowment will be increased to $200,000. So rapid is the advance of the financial standing of the college that a few more years will enable her to pursue her way unhampered by lack of funds. The new building contains five rooms finished including one literary hall which is elegant in style and finish.

During the advance of the college as a whole Indiana Delta has not been idle. At the late State Oratorical contest we furnished our usual three votes and have the honor of holding the president's office in the Association in the person of E. L. Branigin, '92. It is especially pleasurable to note the friendly attitude of the anti-fraternity men toward our chapter. We have long since abandoned the thought of retaliation for fancied wrongs, deeming it beneath the dignity of Greeks, and the result is a friendlier feeling on the part of all.

The social lately given in our hall was the source of much pleasure to all present..

We have to introduce to the the fraternity world, the following names, representatives of the manhood recognized and respected by all: Alva Neal, '92; D. G. Dunkin, '93; O. W. Caldwell, B. F. Murry, E. D. McColley, and P. A. Reynolds of '94.

Bro. E. L. Stevenson, '81, is now Professor of History at Rutgers College, N. J. Every alumnus will be pleased to learn that Bro. J. R. Edwards, '77, will deliver the alumni address of commencement week.

Indiana Delta wishes to express her appreciation of the circular letters from sister chapters, and of the excellent management of the SCROLL during the year.

Hoping to speak later to our alumni concerning our new chapter house we close.

In the Bond,

E. L. HENDRICKS.

Franklin, March 23, 1891.

INDIANA ZETA, DEPAUW UNIVERSITY.

Looking back over the past year, Indiana Zeta feels that she can congratulate herself upon her record. There have been more expulsions, resignations and in general more fraternity trouble this year than ever before in the history of DePauw. Yet, we believe that it is true that since the smoke of the battle has cleared away, there is more true Pan-Hellenic spirit than before the conflict.

The all-absorbing topic at DePauw now is athletics. A series of inter-fraternity base ball games is now in progress. Although Indiana Zeta has never prided herself upon her athletic ability, preferring rather good studentship as our motto, yet we succeeded, a few days since, in defeating Delta Kappa Epsilon by a score of 21 to 13.

The University team has now played three games, winning all of them. Thursday, May 14th, is local Field-day here and quite

an interesting program has been made out. The Phis are expecting to capture some of the prizes.

DePauw has recently witnessed some grand occasions. On the 27th of April was celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of Dr. John Clark Ridpath, the World's Historian. Literary men from all over the United States were in attendance and those who were present will long remember it as one of the most enjoyable times of their lives. More recently the Board of Bishops of the Methodist Episcopal Church has been in session here.

On next Thursday, May 14th, the Northern Division of the Delta Tau Delta Fraternity will hold its Convention with the local chapter which will give a reception in honor of its guests.

Last night occured the Inter-State Oratorical Contest, at Des Moines, Iowa, Bro. Willits A. Bastian presiding. For the first time in the history of the Association when Indiana has been victorious it was not also DePauw. This time it is Indiana State University and we rejoice with them.

We are now enjoying visits from two of our alumni, Rev. H. H. Wright, '89, of Marion, Ind., and E. G. Rognon, '90, a rising young lawyer of Salt Lake City, Utah.

This year we lose by graduation, six strong men, but in looking at the men who are to take their places, they have no cause to fear for the future welfare of the chapter.

Hoping that each coming year may add to the glory and renown of the Fraternity as the past has, I am

Yours in the Bond,

A. R. PRIEST.

Greencastle, May 8th, 1891.

MICHIGAN ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

We have, to report this time two additions to our membership list, Harry Burritt Mulliken and James Clair Hallock of Detroit, both of them Freshmen who entered the University in February. This makes our total number of initiates for the year, seven, six of them being Freshmen.

On April 2, the Cornell Glee and Banjo Clubs gave a concert here and we had the pleasure of entertaining Bros. Hickey and Fenner of the Glee Club and Bros. Holbrook and Gilbert of the Banjo Club, all members of New York Alpha. A most pleasant time was enjoyed during their short stay with us.

The Amherst Club followed with a concert on April 7, and Phi Delta Theta was ably represented upon it by Bro. Staples who spent the night with us. It gives us great pleasure thus to meet Phis from the different chapters of the country. Our house is always open to our brothers and we shall expect visits from any who may be within visiting distance.

On the evening of April 3, occurred the Junior Hop, the society event of the year. About one hundred and seventy-five couples were in attendance including many from out of the city. Michigan Alpha was represented by a delegation of nine men.

The Freshman Banquet took place May 1 and was unusually well attended. Bro. Robt. F. Hall, '94, was a member of the Committee of Arrangements.

Twelve of the boys have recently formed themselves into a Tennis club and have constructed a clay court in the lot directly opposite the house. Abundance of fresh air and vigorous exercise is now being enjoyed. A tournament is in contemplation for the near future.

The Northern Oratorical Association, including representatives from University of Wisconsin, Oberlin, Northwestern and University of Michigan, held its first meeting at Ann Arbor on May 1. The contest was won by A. C. Gormley of the University of Michigan, Adams of Northwestern, second. Iowa State University was admitted to the League.

FRANK H. DIXON.

Ann Arbor, May 5, 1891.

MICHIGAN GAMMA, HILLSDALE COLLEGE.

On March 14, the Phis and their ladies, together with Pres. and Mrs. Mosher, met at Smith's Hotel in the city, to celebrate their eighth anniversary, which they did in a most hearty and enjoyable manner, as the following program testifies: HISTORY, C. B. Chaffee; POEM, "The Jolly Phis," J. N. Greene; Music; PROPHECY, "Looking Backward," J. J. Heckman; ORATION, "Conservatism and the Conservative," C. E. Mark; Music; Refreshments; Toasts; OUR GUESTS, J. C. Newcomer; GREEKS IN HILLSDALE COLLEGE, Miss Nora L. Masters; Music; REMINISCENCES, Bro. G. G. Kenny; SOCIAL CULTURE, Miss Carlotta Bailey; Music; FRATERNITY LIFE, Bro. N. B. Sloan; POSSIBILITIES, Miss Mayme Randall; W. GOAT, ESQ., Bro. S E. Kelley; Music.

Besides these, Pres. and Mrs. Mosher made some very happy remarks, and expressed themselves as thoroughly pleased with the occasion. The exercises were all of a high order. The refreshments were fine, and every one agreed that it was the finest event of the season.

Bro. N. B. Crabtree retired from school at the close of the Winter term, but expects to be back next year. Bro. G. G. Kenny, of '90, left this last week for Oakland, Cal., to be gone for two or three years. Bros. J. C. Newcomer and S. E. Kelley expect to leave us in a couple of weeks for a Western canvassing trip. The coming Commencement will take away

four men from Mich. Gamma, J. N. Greene, O. O. Force, J. C. Newcomer and J. J. Heckman, while Bro. D. J. Churchill, of the class of '90, graduates from the Music dept. Of these, Bro. Newcomer expects to be back next year to steady the helm and lift the banner of the Phis.

Bro. L. S. Shumaker was called home recently by the severe illness of a brother, and has just returned after having lain his brother away to rest.

It is feared that so many of the undergraduates will be out next year, that our hopes for a Chapter House will have to be postponed. However, the seed is sown and we hope to see in the near future Michigan Gamma sitting at her own fireside.

Hillsdale, May 4, 1891. J. NELSON GREENE.

ZETA PROVINCE.

ILLINOIS DELTA, KNOX COLLEGE.

Knox is prospering as usual. "Alumni Hall" is rapidly approaching completion and promises to justify the belief formerly indulged in, that it will be, when finished, one of the handsomest college buildings in the west. At the last Oratorical Contest, two non-fraternity men won both prizes, but a Fiji was first among the Juniors, so that that society, for the first time in its history, will have the Knox representative in the I. I. C. O. Contest. On the Sophomore-Freshman Declamation Contest, six out of eight speakers are fraternity men—four Betas, one Phi and one Fiji.

The Phi Gams have increased their already large membership by the addition of one Senior, initiated at the close of last term. One of their number, who started in as a Junior, is taking Prep. studies. We presume he wished to change his course. It is rumored that a new sorority will be established at Knox. There is plenty of room for it. The one most recently started here has several times initiated Preps. It would improve its standard by confining itself to college classes. Such initiations not only hurt the Fraternity which indulges in them, but also lowers the tone of the whole Fraternity World of the school, and should meet with severe censure from the General Fraternities.

Our own chapter is not in as good condition as it has been before. One of our members failed to return so that we number only five. We have worked very hard this year in the face of the most trying discouragements. Save from one or two of our alumni we have had no encouragement at all. While it is true that we are numerically very weak, yet for that very reason our alumni should support us. We wish a most happy vacation to all true Phis. GEO. CANDEE GALE.

Galesburg, May 7, 1891.

Missouri Alpha, University of Missouri.

Since our last communication we have initiated Bros. James William Cooper and Harry Rouse, '94. It was a death blow to the "barbarian" ranks and Missouri Alpha takes peculiar pleasure in commending to the brothers at large two such worthy men.

As she glances back over the year's progress Missouri Alpha beams with pride at her repeated successes in contests and the loyal sincere interest and unbounded enthusiasm, manifested by every son, in her welfare. Bro. F. P. Divelbiss represented us on the Inter-Collegiate preliminary held in Mexico, Mo., and was awarded first honors. At Sedalia he won first prize and goes to Des Moines, Iowa, May 7th, as the representative of the State to the Inter-State Oratorical Contest. We have every reason to think he will be "in it" on this occasion, as he has a very superior oration which has won him many honors. Bro. Divelbiss will also represent us on the Stephens Medal Contest, English Essay contest and Astronomical prize given for the best thesis on Solar Heat· Before the year closes we will have taken more than our share of honors.

Our Annual Reception and Banquet will be given Monday evening, June 1st, at the Music Hall. We have begun preparations for it and expect to excel any previous effort. Sweet music, beautiful dancers and a lovely floor with lots of vim will characterize the entertainment.

Bros. Jack Yeager and J. W. Froley visited us recently. Bro. Froley has been recommended for an assistant in the Department of Mathematics.

The University received an endowment fund of $600,000, recently which will fill a financial vacancy she has long experienced. With best regards to all Phis,

Yours in the Bond,

J. C. Tipton.

Columbia, May 4, 1891.

Missouri Gamma, Washington University.

Late in the Winter of '88–'89, Messrs. J. B. Leggat, R. S. McCulloch, R. B. Hutchinson, L. B. Vella, J. D. Pope, R. L. Kneedler and E. H. Lebens, students in the course in Mining and Metallurgy, Mr. J. J. Lichter, Dynamic Engineering, and J. B. Guinn, of the course in Civil Engineering, met in the Chapel and began singing college songs, and discussing plans whereby they would derive more social enjoyment, and arouse more college spirit in the students of the University. They at first de-

cided to form a combined glee and social club, "for mutual improvement in singing and painting," (as their preamble said), to be known as the W. S. and P. Club, (Whippoorwill Singing and Painting Club), the name arising from one of its favorite songs. But after a few weeks the members became more organized and decided to form a secret society, to resemble as nearly as possible the National Greek Letter Fraternities. After much discussion and deliberation they finally settled upon the name of Texta Club (more properly *Τεκτά*) the meaning and derivation of word being one of the secrets of the Club, and also quite consistent with the name of the University. Before June, '89, Messrs. W. H. Danforth, H. D. Chapman, J. V. Bohn, C. A. Bohn and B. H. Grievson had been initiated into the mysteries of the Texta. The following year Messrs. A. B. Rombauer, C. C. Collins, H. R. Hall, D. W. Roper and W. N. Cummings were added, and this year Messrs. W. D. Hudson, T. G. Rutledge, A. E. Heming and R. G. Cole were run in before we became Phis. It was one of the rules of the Club that each member should hold an office. There was also an honorary list devoted to the Texta girls, "and any young lady furnishing to the Club an edible considered by the Club of sufficient importance and sufficiently palatable is entitled to have her name inscribed." By this means the Club was always certain of a most enjoyable little after-meeting in the way of refreshments. The young ladies also assisted us in the most enjoyable hops and parties which Texta gave from time to time. For over two years has Texta lived and flourished, and yet she was not satisfied. All last year the question of union with a general fraternity was debated. Many Fraternities were considered, as overtures were received from several. The claims of the different ones were thoroughly investigated and compared, and finally, partly due to the untiring efforts of Bro. C. C. Collins, who had been already initiated at Indiana Delta in 1887, but more upon the merits, Phi Delta Theta was decided upon, and may she always be proud of her choice.

Through Bro. H. W. Clark, who had taken great pains to explain the workings of the Fraternity, the Texta Club, on Dec. 19, 1890, made application for a charter in the Phi Delta Theta Fraternity. The charter in due time was granted, and Saturday, March 28, 1891, will be ever memorable in the annals of Missouri Gamma, as the day of its birth. Before the initiation took place Texta met, transferred all of its belongings to Missouri Gamma Chapter to be, gave three cheers for good old Texta, and then adjourned forever.

When the initiation was concluded, the doors of an adjoining room were thrown open, disclosing a spread. Toasts were given, Phi songs were sung, speeches were made, and the first cries

of the Baby Chapter of Phi Delta Theta were sounded amid rejoicing and good wishes.

All Phis in St. Louis, located or visiting, will be welcomed by Missouri Gamma.

Many thanks are extended to Missouri Alpha for loan of paraphernalia.

Saturday, April 18, J. R. Fordyce was initiated into the secrets of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ and entered the temple.

Friday, April 24th, Bro. Rutledge obtained second prize in the University Oratorical contest, although all the students are one in saying he deserved first.

Saturday, April 25, W. U. played Mo. State University Base Ball at Columbia. Score: W. U. 12; M. S. U. 4. Bro. Hall represented our Chapter on the W. U. nine. Missouri Alpha treated the visiting Brothers, (Hall, Fordyce, Cummings and Bohn) most royally, and made our stay in Columbia very enjoyable indeed.

To all we extend the most hearty greetings of our Chapter. May Phi Delta Theta never regret the establishment of Missouri Gamma, and may Missouri Gamma in turn ever look up to the banner under which she so proudly moves.

Yours in $\Phi\iota$—$\chi\epsilon\iota\alpha$.

St. Louis, April 29, 1891. C. A. BOHN.

IOWA ALPHA, IOWA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter to the SCROLL several events of special interest and profit to our chapter have occurred, chief among which was the Zeta Province Convention. The events of the occasion will always be regarded as an epoch in the life of Iowa Alpha, and bright spots in the memories of every individual member.

Several "singing parties," devoted to the express purpose of practising Phi songs have recently taken place and we are glad to say the boys and Phi girls are getting our music down fine. We have lately been the recipient of two elegant presents, one in the shape of a pretty silken throw from Miss Elsie Byskit, Red Oak, Iowa, the other, a handsome painting, the work of Miss Pannett Okell, of this city.

It is with pleasure we announce our success in placing our colors on Mr. Bruce Young, '95, the acknowledged leader of his class. As soon as the fall term opens we will have him behind the Sword and Shield. A determined effort is being made to put the Fraternities out of the school by the anti-element, but if the truth of the situation can be laid before the Board of Trustees, we have little grounds for fear.

We lose four men by graduation and two or three under-graduates will not return. The chapter will have a good working

force left nevertheless and we feel that the success of Iowa Alpha for several years at least, is assured.

Yours in *Φι-χεία*,

WILMOT C. WILLITS.

Mt. Pleasant, May 8, 1891.

NEBRASKA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA.

The farmer legislature has been exceedingly liberal with the University; everything the Regents asked for was granted. An appropriation was passed whereby work upon a new library building is to begin soon. When completed the building will cost about $100,000.

While on his western tour, President Harrison will stop a short time in this city. Great preparations are being made and "Brother Ben" will receive a very warm reception.

W. A. Bastian, president of the Inter-State Oratorical Association and a student of De Pauw University, has been visiting us for the past two days. He says that he fell in love with this chapter last year while attending the inter-state contest. Bro. Bastian is always welcome here as is also any other Phi Delt.

As the school year draws to a close, we expect that Bro. Conway MacMillan will very soon be with us. His arrival here is the signal for a general "bum," for Con always has a stock of new stories. We write with regret that, on account of business, Bro. Wing is obliged to leave us before the term closes.

Chas. A. Lyman is our latest initiate. The fraternity is fortunate in securing this man, for he is a pleasant fellow and a good student.

Chas. Newcomer has left Berlin and is now traveling in France. Brother Haggard, one of our two Seniors, has accepted the position of assistant to Prof. Bruner, the State Entomologist. Bro. Taylor, the other Senior, is as as yet undecided what he will do. He says he knows nothing except that his ego exists.

We have given a series of parties at the hall this year, and we find them very satisfactory inasmuch as the boys, at least, have invariably had a good time.

E. C. HARDY.

Lincoln, May 5, 1891.

CALIFORNIA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA.

In another place in this issue of the SCROLL will be found an account of how California *A* and other resident Phis honored our Brother, President Harrison, on the evening of April 27. He was with us only a few moments; but when we consider that he was with us almost as long as he was at our Alma Mater a few

days later, and likewise in Oakland, the second city in the state, we have reason to congratulate ourselves that we were able to secure his presence for even a few moments. Too much credit cannot be given brother J. N. E. Wilson for his efforts in our behalf. Through his personal friendship with ex-Congressman W. W. Morrow, chairman of the Reception Committee, he obtained the consent of the Committee for us to have the President at our banquet. Brother Wilson had been appointed one of Gen. Dickinson's aids, and met President Harrison on the ferry boat on his arrival Saturday evening and informed him of our intention. Our efforts were crowned with success, and the event is one to be long remembered. Nearly every member of California *A* who was in California was present or sent his regrets, as were also several brothers from sister chapters. This was very gratifying, especially as the plan only began to materialize two weeks beforehand. It was indeed a grand reunion ; classes of California *A* from '73 to '94 were represented, covering a space of twenty-one years, and classes of the Fraternity from '52, covering a period twice as long.

We had the pleasure of seeing President Harrison at the seat of our Alma Mater on Saturday, May 2. On account of the death of Professor John LeConte, three days before, no ovation was made on the occasion. The battalion was drawn up under arms before the Library, where the lady students, the children of the public schools and others were assembled. The President was driven up and in response to a welcoming address by Professor Kellogg, acting President of the University, made a short address from his carriage. It was expected that the Faculty would be presented to him in the Library, but as his time was so short he did not get out of his carriage. Brother Geo. E. DeGolia, California *A* '77, rode with him in his carriage.

Dr. John LeConte, one of our most honored and most respected professors, and one of the foremost men of science in the United States, passed away on the 29th of April. He had been associated with the University since its establishment in 1868, as professor of physics, and was twice acting president and once president of the University, (1876–81).

Great interest is being taken in athletics at present. The campus is being graded, a thing which the students have desired for a long time. An addition to the gymnasium and a dressing room at the cinder track have been ordered by the Regents, so that an increased interest in athletics is to be expected by another year. At the second Field Day of the Amateur Academic Athletic Association (or four A's, as it is commonly called) was held at the Olympic Athletic Grounds, San Francisco, on April 25. There were 140 contestants from seven academies and high schools entered, and the rivalry was very keen. Brother Hinck-

ley, '93, won the open mile run, and Bro. Willis, '93, took second place in the hop, step and jump. The organization of the association was undoubtedly one of the best things which could have been done University athletics.

In the indoor championship games under the auspices of the Olympic Athletic Club of San Francisco, Bro. Willis took second place in the pole vault for distance. On April 29, Bro. Hinckley won the 440 yard run in the first of a series of trial field days to be held Wednesday afternoons on the University cinder track. The regular Spring Field Day will be on May 23.

K A θ, established here less than a year ago, are having a chapter house built after their own plans to be ready for occupancy next September.

Class Day will be observed June 20. Of the three Phis in the Senior class two have honors for that occasion, Bro. Hall is dispensator, and Bro. Waste is chairman of the Class Day Committee.

E. F. GOODYEAR.

Berkley, May 5, 1891.

PERSONALS.

Maine *A*—Fred R. Bowman, '87, is a physician at Braintree, Mass.

North Carolina *B*—G. W. Bethel, '89, is a contractor at Salem, Va.

North Carolina *B*—W. H. McDonald, '87, has recently accepted a position in a bank at Charlotte, N. C.

North Carolina *B*—A. M. Simmons, '87, is practicing law at Elizabeth City, N. C.

North Carolina *B*—O. D. Batchelor, '88, is a successful lawyer at Buena Vista, Va.

Massachusetts *A*—T. E. Haven, '87, attended the banquet given by California Alpha in honor of President Harrison.

Maine *A*—Irving L. Townsend, M. A., '86, is Principal of the Normal department of Stockton institute, Stockton, California.

Vermont *A*—George E. Bertrand, '80, of Lincoln, Neb., has been elected a member of the State legislature of his adopted State.

Maine *A*—Richard A. Metcalf, '86, has removed from Salt Lake City to Ottumwa, Iowa, where he is principal of the High School.

Vermont *A*—Arthur B. Gilbert, '89, is special agent of the Equitable Life Assurance Society, 3 and 4 Pembroke Building, Manchester, N. H.

Massachusetts *A*—A. M. Hitchcock, '90, will teach next year in the Hamilton School, West Philadelphia, where Eames, '88, is also engaged in the same work.

Virginia *A*—George L. Atkins, '75, is part owner in the California Fig Syrup Company, and is general agent for the Company east of the Rocky Mountains. He is now making his home in Salem, Va.

Vermont *A*—Prin. W. A. Beebe, '89; of the Academy at Morrisville, Vt., read an essay at the State Y. P. S. C. E. convention, held at St. Johnsburry, Nov. 11–12, on the "Hurtfulness of Irreverence."

Indiana *Γ*—The *Butler Collegian* besides being managed by a Phi is ably supported by contributions from alumni of Indiana

Gamma. H. Th. Miller recently wrote on "Rudyard Kipling," and Bro. F. R. Kautz on James Whitcomb Riley.

Vermont *A*—The Portland *Oregonian* speaks very pleasantly of the thanksgiving service at the church of "Our Father," and in closing says: Rev. Mr. Wilbur (E. M. Wilbur, '86), has gained rapidly upon his congregation's interest in the few weeks he has been in Portland, by the marked powers and spirituality of his words.

Ohio *A*—Rev. J. M. Worrall, D. D., '49 not '48, has been chosen to a double professorship in Center College and the Theological Semimary in Danville, Ky. This will leave an important pulpit in New York City vacant, the Thirteenth street Presbyteriau Church.

Ohio *A*—Rev. J. M. Oldfather, '69, missionary to Persia, was made D. D. last June by his Alma Mater, Miami University, and Rev. James V. Logan, D. D., Kentucky Alpha, '54, President of Central University, Richmond, Ky., was honored with an L. L. D. from Hampden-Sydney, Va.

Oglethorpe Chapter—Brother Charles B. Gaskill, '72, of this chapter is a resident of Atlanta, an Attorney-at-Law at 138 S. Forsyth St. He is and always has been a SCROLL reader, and is likewise much interested in the success of the Atlanta convention. He is open to communications from Phis everywhere on that subject.

Indiana *A*—Rev. Frank B. Foster, '88, who in March last was graduated from Allegheny Theological Seminary has received a call to and accepted the pastorate of the United Brethren Church at Mansfield, Ohio. This is one of the best appointments in that denomination, and gives Brother Foster a pleasant field in which to work.

New York *Δ*—Thomas H. Baskerville, '86, is a Counsellor at law, still at 54 William St. The following letter from him notes an interesting item:

"DEAR BRO. BROWN: Your favor received—I have just returned from a visit to Brownsville, Pa., where I assisted Bro. Wm. L. Lenhart, Pennsylvania Alpha, to marry a very charming young heiress. I also called on Bro. Frank Hogg and found him making a great name for himself in engineering circles. If you are in this part of the country call in and see Mayer and myself, or better still come to stay with us. We live together in the University Building, Washington Square and Phis are always welcome.

Ohio *B*—No figure is more prominent in legal and official circles at Columbus, O., than that of Cyrus Huling, '78, who for six years has been Prosecuting Attorney for Franklin County.

He was recently elected President of the Lincoln League, a prominent political and social club of the city, and the SCROLL gives part of his inaugural:

"President Huling was at his best, and gave an address worthy the occasion.

THE INAUGURAL ADDRESS.

President Huling said: In the history of the world there is no parallel to the growth and development of these United States in wealth, in extent of territory, in arts, sciences, manufactures, and in all that makes human life enjoyable and elevates and cultivates the human mind. With each recurring year a new generation of men and ideas seem to arise. The wonderful inventions of last year are relegated to the lumber-room as antiquated when this year's inventions are ushered in, and in social science, religion and politics, the radical of to-day is the conservative of to-morrow.

In this whirl of things it would be wonderful, indeed, if the right thing were always done, or even approximate justice accorded to each constituent of this mighty Democracy. The great imperator of the American people is public opinion. At this court must every outraged citizen plead for redress, a redress which comes sure and swift when the public is thoroughly aroused and convinced.

But public opinion is sometimes, nay, often, imposed upon and deceived. As the unworthy mendicant often receives alms from the charitable, so public opinion often takes to its bosom delusive fancies and warms into life a serpent which would sting its benefactor. Public opinion alone, therefore, is not worthy to rule a people who would be truly free. To entitle it to such authority it needs to be educated, trained, honest. It should be a consensus of the best thought of the nation.

Minds driven hither and thither by every adverse wind, or like boys' kites, spreading their wings to every prosperous breeze that may waft them into some short-lived honor, should and do usually have no part in such noble work.

Such was the work in that elder day of Washington, Hamilton, Jefferson, Madison, Jay, Marshall, Webster and Clay, the mantle of whose noble work in later times fell upon Lincoln, Chase, Douglas, Sumner, Grant, Sherman, Blaine and McKinley. Such, gentlemen, is the work of the Republican party of to-day and of the future.

Just now it appears that all the "isms" and fanatical ideas lurking in the human mind had broken forth, each proclaiming in its loudest key its ability as a cure-all for the ailments of the body politic. Doubtless the body politic has ailments enough. Doubtless there are many classes of our fellow-citizens who have cause to complain that there just dues are not accorded them, and remedies are needed. But the remedy does not lie in hasty and ill-considered legislation, nor in supplanting old and tried symptoms by the theories of irresponsible and ambitious agitators.

INITIATES.

COLLEGE YEAR 1890–1891.

MAINE ALPHA.

'92, George Willard Singer, Waldoboro, Me.
'93, Eugene Lincoln Torrey, Dixfield, Me.
'94, Edward Charles Clark, Waterboro, Me.
'94, William Elithan Greene, Linneus, Me.
'94, Frederick Humbert Hodge, Melrose, Mass.
'94, Theodore Harding Kinney, Houlton, Me.
'94, Moses Brown Leavitt, Norridgewock, Me.
'94, John Sarsfield Lynch, West Boylston, Mass.
'94, Herbert Leonard Whitman, South Paris, Me.

NEW HAMPSHIRE ALPHA.

'93, Fred Peaslee Tuxbury, Amesbury, Mass.
'94, Alfred Bartlett, Eliot, Me.
'94, Fred Porter Claggett, Newport, N. H.
'94, William Gibbon, Vicksburg, Miss.
'94, Edwin Osgood Grover, St. Johnsbury, Vt.
'94, Kent Knowlton, Greensboro, Vt.
'94, Albert Mark Lyon, Peru, Vt.
'94, Archibald Joseph Matthews, Hannawa Falls, N. Y.
'94, Harry Burton Amey, Lancaster, N. H.

VERMONT ALPHA.

'94, Charles Bradley Doane, Bakersfield, Vt.
'94, Frank Lee Dunham, Worcester, Vt.
'94, Charles Herrick Mower, Burlington, Vt.
'94, William John Pollard, Peacham, Vt.
'94, Edward Gleason Spalding, Burlington, Vt.

MASSACHUSETTS ALPHA.

'92, Woodbury Treat Morris, Cincinnati, Ohio.
'94, Edwin Carlton Gillette, Hartford, Conn.
'94, Robert Joseph Gulliver, Norwich, Conn.
'94, Harry Osgood Spalding, Boston, Mass.

MASSACHUSETTS BETA.

'93, Robert Irving Walker, Waverly, N. Y.
'94, Albert Sherburne Baker, Amherst, Mass.
'94, George Arthur Goodell, Windham, Vt.
'94, Harwood Bigelow Smith, Rockland, Mass.
'94, Arthur Winslow Stone, Lowell, Mass.
'94, Nathan Henry Weeks, Dedham, Mass.

RHODE ISLAND ALPHA.

'94, Wayland Lewis Beers, Montana, N. J.
'94, Adolph Conrad Ely, Plantsville, Conn.
'94, Henry Jewett Hall, Milford, N. H.
'94, George Grant Hunter, Andrew, Ia.
'94, Charles Spurgeon Nightingale, Louisville, Ky.

NEW YORK ALPHA.

'92, Robert Valentine Jones, Philadelphia, Penn.
'93, Burton Strait, Shakopee, Minn.
'94, John Hickey, Auburn, N. Y.
'94, William Henry Hapgood, Sing Sing, N. Y.
'94, Lewis Castle Freeman, Albany, N. Y.
'93, Floyd Kipp Smith, (aff. from Penn. Eta) New York, N.Y.

NEW YORK BETA.

'93, Walter Luman Lawton, Glen's Falls, N. Y.
'94, Elwood Grant Blessing, Slingerlands, N. Y.
'94, Leonard McClintock, South Worcester, N. Y.
'94, Smith Lewis Multer, Charlotteville, N. Y.
'94, Fred J. Wagner, Georgetown, N. Y.
'94, Benjamin J. Wightman, West Eaton, N. Y.

NEW YORK EPSILON.

'93, Herbert Lincoln Ellsworth, LeRoysville, Pa.
'94, Charles Webster Beadel, Syracuse, N. Y.
'94, Edwin William Beadel, Syracuse, N. Y.
'94, George Hopkins Bond, Syracuse, N. Y.
'94, Albert Edwin Larkin, Camillus, N. Y.
'94, William Wilson Nichols, Rome, N. Y.
'94, Arthur Jerome Smith, Antwerp, N. Y.
'94, Allin Dorman Steele, Elmira, N. Y.
'94, George Frederick Whitfield, Algona, Ia.

PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA.

'94, George Edgar Harder, 4119 Ogden St., Phila., Pa.
'94, Fred. Charles Kirkendall, Wilkesbarre, Pa.
'94, Lewis Herman Allen, Portland, Pa.
'94, Ernest Gray Smith, Martin's Ferry, Ohio.
'94, George Orr Inglebright, Martin's Ferry, Ohio.
'94, John Harry Hagerty, Philipsburg, N. J.

PENNSYLVANIA BETA.

'93, John Jacob Brallier, Berlin, Pa.
'94, Jeremiah Knode Cook, Hagerstown, Md.
'94, Charles Wilfred Krissinger, Berlin, Pa.
'94, David William VanCamp, Plainfield. Pa

PENNSYLVANIA GAMMA.

'94, Simon Strauss Baker, Washington, Pa.
'94, Charles B. Weirick, Washington, Pa.
'94, John Hassan Carline, Braddock, Pa.

PENNSYLVANIA DELTA.

'93, Theodore Anthony Douthitt, Beaver Falls, Pa.
'93, Robert Weyand Darragh, Beaver, Pa.
'94, Chauncey Frederick Bell, Meadville, Pa.
'94, Edwin Will Jaynes, Olympia, Wash.
'94, Harry H. Cummings, Jr., Tidionte, Pa.

PENNSYLVANIA EPSILON.

'92, Van Pierce Northrup, Hurlock, Md.
'93, Jacob Banks Kurtz, Thomsontown, Pa.
'94, Walter Gelston McNeil, Baltimore, Md.
'94, Milton George Urner, Jr., Frederick, Md.
'94, Clarence Grant Cleaver, Catawissa, Pa.

PENNSYLVANIA ZETA.

'91, James Lord Bernard, Philadelphia. Pa.
'91, Chester Hughes Kirk, Philadelphia, Pa.
'93, Henry Paul Busch, Philadelphia, Pa.
'93, Walter Isaac Cooper, Philadelphia, Pa.
'93, George Poste Wheeler, Philadelphia, Pa.
'93, Edward Burke Wilford, Philadelphia, Pa.
'94, George Douglass Codman, Philadelphia, Pa.
'94, Edwin Stanton Young, Philadelphia, Pa.

PENNSYLVANIA ETA.

'92, Thanlow Gjertsen, Saxton, Pa.
'94, Walter Jules Douglas, Washington, D. C.
'94, Edward Kent Leech, Washington, D. C.
'94, William Miller Purman, Washington, D. C.
'94, Edward Pike VanMater, Washington, D. C.
'94, Geo. Brinkerhoff Van Riper, Rutherford, N. J.

VIRGINIA ALPHA.

'92, Morgan Bowman Stickley, Cross Keys, Va.
'93, Melvoin Jacob Killian, Salem, Va.
'93, Claude Neff Hoover, New Market, Va.

VIRGINIA BETA.

*John Scott Carter, St. Louis, Mo.
*Frank La Motte Harney, Coronado, Cal.
*William Christy Hutchinson, St. Louis, Mo.

* No Class System.

*Fontaine Broun, Ala. Beta, Charleston, W. Va.
*George Fleming Broun, Ala. Beta, Auburn, Ala.
*Marion Tracy Davis, Ga. Alpha, Savannah, Ga.
*Julian Haume Abbitt, Va. Delta, Appomattox, Va.

VIRGINIA GAMMA.

*William Norfleet Davis, Norfolk, Va.
*Andrew Sledd, Norfolk, Va.
*Samuel Jackson Battin, Portsmouth, Va.

VIRGINIA ZETA.

*Daily Fielden Hardy, San Marcos, Texas.
*William Green, San Marcos, Texas.

NORTH CAROLINA BETA.

'93, William Bynum Preston, Charlotte, N. C.

SOUTH CAROLINA BETA.

'94, William Coulter Cothran, Abbeville, S. C.
'94, Andrew Bowie Wardlaw, Darlington, S. C.

KENTUCKY ALPHA.

'92, William Worlfolk Johnson, Danville, Ky.
'93, Wellington Harlan, Jr., Harrodsburg, Ky.
'93, John William Scott, Lexington, Ky.
'94, Frank Douglas Curry, Harrodsburg, Ky.
'94, Robert Pollock Dow, Paris, Ky.
'94, Max Wilson Barbour, Falmouth, Ky.
'94, James Thomas Wilson, Falmouth, Ky.

KENTUCKY DELTA.

'92, William Abram Jones, Newcastle, Ky.
'92, William Crow, Richmond, Ky.
'93, Napoleon Stephens Bayless, Covington, Ky.
'93, Frank Pullen Kenney, Paris, Ky.
'94, Samuel Hamilton Carothers, Bardstown, Ky.
'94, Cleveland Corwin Collins, Covington, Ky.
'94, Alex. Lawes George, Meridian, Miss.
'94, Theopolis Davis, Georgetown, Ky.
'94, Robert Stuart Taylor, Richmond, Ky.

GEORGIA ALPHA.

'93, George Wilkins Becket, Savannah, Ga.
'93, Robert Cicero Cleghorn, Summerville, Ga.
'93, Halcot Moreno, Gainesville, Ga.
'93, Walter Thomas Tuzzle, La Grange, Ga.

* No class system.

'93, Walter Preston Warren, Atlanta, Ga.
'94, John Thompson Dunlap, Gainesville, Ga.
'91, Robert Gigon Johnson, Aff., Atlanta, Ga.

GEORGIA BETA.

'92, William Everard Hamilton Searcy, Jr., Griffin, Ga.
'92, John Henderson Hallman, Atlanta, Ga.
'92, Carle Ross Thompson, Tuskegee, Ala.
'93, Edwin Milton Smith, Forsyth, Ga.
'93, Idus LaFayette McNair, Jeffersonville, Ga.
'94. Edwin Dart Lambright, Brunswick, Ga.
'94, James Thomas Colson, Brunswick, Ga.
'94, John Wightman Bowden, Senoia, Ga.
'94, Thomas Rogers Kendall, Athens, Ga. (Aff. from Georgia Gamma.)
'94, Arthur Clifton Belcher, Starrsville, Ga.

GEORGIA GAMMA.

'93, Charles C. Harper, Rome, Ga.
'93, John Will Lester, Thomasville, Ga.
'93, Charles Grover Denmark, Quitman, Ga.
'94, Curtis Nottingham Anderson, Macon, Ga.
'94, Charles Bannon, Macon, Ga.
'94, Anderson Clark, Macon, Ga.
'94, William B. Tinsley, Macon, Ga.
'94, Howard E. Coates, Macon, Ga.
Special, Roy Berry, Rome, Ga.
Special, Hardy Smith, Rome, Ga.
Special, Oscar H. McWilliams, Rome, Ga.
Special, M. B. McWilliams, Rome, Ga.
Special, Frederick Rounsaville, (Aff. from Ga. Beta, Rome, Ga.)

TENNESSEE ALPHA.

'92, Amos Riley Hardin, Santa Rosa, Cal.
'94, Charles Reed Baskerville, Stanton Depot, Tenn.
'94, John Hibbett DeWitt, Nashville, Tenn.
'94, James Park Hanner, Franklin, Tenn.
'94, Lewis Clark Renfro, Winters, Cal.
'94, Robert Angels Wheeler, Memphis, Tenn.

Affiliates—

'93, Osgood Francis Cook, Ga. Beta, Waycross, Ga.
'93, Eugene Hargrove Hawkins, Ala. Gamma, Decatur, Ala.
'93, John Edward Mickler, Ga. Beta, Welborn, Fla.

TENNESSEE BETA.

* Dennis Long Miller, Louisville, Ky.
* Caleb Britual Knewles Weed, East Orange, N. J.

ALABAMA ALPHA.

'92, F. J. Burke, Jacksonville, Ala.
'93, H. M. King, Evergreen, Ala.
'93, R. R. Saffold, Selma, Ala.
'94, T. T. Gallion, (Aff. from Ala. Gamma,) Demopolis, Ala.
'94, J. H. Lyons, Mobile, Ala.
Law, T. W. Porter, Birmingham, Ala.

ALABAMA BETA.

Special, Joseph Johnstone Crawford, West Point, Ga.
'93, Theodore Benjamin Bethea, Montgomery, Ala.
'93, Oscie Kyle Parker, Coosada, Ala.
'93, Roper Colbert Spratling, Gold Hill, Ala.
'94, William Marion Hight, Anniston, Ala.
'94, James Albert Wilson, Eufala, Ala.
'91, Petit Reynolds, Tuskegee, Ala.
'94, Walter C. Darwin, Huntsville, Ala.
'93, Walter Merritt Riggs, Orangeburg, S. C.

ALABAMA GAMMA.

'92, Arthur Wright, Midway, Ala.
'92, Wesley Solomon McLeod, Ozark, Ala.
'93, John Edward Zimmerman Riley, Midland City, Ala.
'93, William Thomas Ellisor, Pine Level, Ala.
'93, Henry Alba Taylor, Leighton, Ala.
'94, Charles Soule Talley, Selma, Ala.
'94, Thomas Licky Felton, Leighton, Ala.
'94, Elbert Thise Breland, Mobile, Ala.
94, Thomas Franklin Sessions, Monterello, Ala.

MISSISSIPPI ALPHA.

'91, Samuel Neill, Carrollton, Miss.
'92, Wm. Buford McCorkle, Fort Smith, Ark.
'94, Wm. Barton Rundle, Vicksburg, Miss.
†'95, Percy Ray, Carrollton, Miss.
†'95, John D. Hawkins, Vaiden, Miss.
†'95, Curt Guy, Grenada, Miss.
†'95, Leon James Lewis, Terry, Miss.

* No class system.
† Regular Collegiate Course and Rank.

LOUISIANA ALPHA.

'94, Edwin Pope Brady, Waggaman, La.
'94, John Robinson Conniff, New Orleans, La.
'94, Udolpho Wolfe, Jr., New Orleans, La.
Med., Erskin Patrick Odneal, Jackson, Miss.
Med., William John Gillespie, Jackson, Miss.

TEXAS BETA.

'91, W. D. Bates, Corsicana, Texas.
'94, J. C. Robertson, Dallas, Texas.
'94, Harry Galbraith, Terrell, Texas.
'94, G. W. Hamlett, Italy, Texas.

TEXAS GAMMA.

'93, Lucian Landon Thomas, Edom, Texas.
'94, Otho Bowman Staples, Downsville, La.

OHIO ALPHA.

'94, Stanton Henry Fox, Massillon, Ohio.
'94, Paul Worth Smith, Oxford, Ohio.

OHIO BETA.

'94, Roy Cullen Gasser, Paulding, O.
'94, Elmer Laverne Whitney, Delaware, O.
'94, Edward Thompson Miller, Delaware, O.
'94, Tellis Trimble Shaw, West Rushville, O.
'94, Aquilla Webb, Zaleski, O.
'94, Charles Hendrickson Lewis, Upper Sandusky, O.

OHIO GAMMA.

'94, Chas. Wellington Clawson, Rich Hill, O.
'94, Geo. DeCamp, Downington, O.
'94, Ralph Clewell Super, Athens, O.
'94, Israel Moore Foster, Athens, O.
'94, Frank Henry Super, Athens, O.
'94, Walter James Bothwell, McArthur, O.
'94, George Richard Craven, Alliance, O.

OHIO DELTA.

'92, Nathan Leela Berner, Columbus, O.
'93, John Irwin Gensemer, Marshallville, O.
'94, Bert Isaac Walker, Cleveland, O.
'94, Horatio Johnson Forgy, Forgy, O.
'94, Alvin N. Crowe, Wellsville, O.
'92, Lee F. Lybarger, (Aff. from Ohio *E*,) Wooster, O.
Special, Will Downey, (Aff. from Ill. *E*,) Wenona, Ill.

OHIO EPSILON.

'94, Samuel Emerson Findlay, Akron, O.
'94, Harland Hiram Hollenbeck, Chardon, O.
'94, Charlos Green Webster, Norwalk, O.
'94, Harry L. Synder, Peru, O.
'94, Origen Stone Deane, Storm Lake, Ia.
'94, Harry Worthy Clark, Chardon, O.

OHIO ZETA.

'93, Fred William Mathias, Toledo, O.
'93, Edward Thomas, Toledo, O.
'94, John Dudley Dunham, Columbus, O.
*'95, Fred Isaac Askew, Kansas City, Mo.
*'95, Edward Francis, Paddy's Run, O.

INDIANA ALPHA.

'92, Hoyt King, Indianapolis, Ind.
'93, Dudley Noble Vance, Richmond, Ind.
'93, Isadore Feibleman, Indianapolis, Ind.
'93, Otto Baumgaertner, Rockport, Ind.
'94, William Dixon Crow, Petersburg, Ind.
'94, Joseph Thomas Giles, Bloomington, Ind.
'94, John Robert Hicks, Indianapolis, Ind.
'94, Lemuel Martin, Bloomington, Ind.

INDIANA BETA.

'92, Wilbur Cortez Abbott, Noblesville, Ind.
'93, Paul Moffatt Rhoades, Newport, Ind.
'94, Charles Sumner Little, Evansville, Ind.

INDIANA GAMMA.

'92, Alfred Lauter, Indianapolis, Ind.
'93, Charles Ellsworth Baker, Peru, Ind.
'94, James Atwell Lucas, Frankfort, Ind.

INDIANA DELTA.

'92, Robert Daniel Irick, Hazelton, O.
'92, Alva Neal, Franklin, Ind.
'93, Daniel Grant Dunkin, Carroll, Ind.
'94, Otis William Caldwell, Elizaville, Ind.
'94, Benjamin Sheeks Murray, Olney, Ill.
'94, Edgar Daniel McColley, Franklin, Ind.
'94, Preston Albert Reynolds, Franklin, Ind.

*Freshman credits and rank.

INDIANA EPSILON.

'94, John Day DePrez, Shelbyville, Ind.
'94, David H. Combs, Charlestown, Ind.
'94, George Ernest Mayhew, Red Bluff, Cal.
'94, Brainard Platt, Madison, Ind.
'94, William Barney Snyder, Milton, Ky.

INDIANA ZETA.

'92, William G. Alexander, Greencastle, Ind.
'93, Charles Henry Smith, Gings, Ind.
'94, Smith Corbin Matson, Greencastle, Ind.
'94, Charles Bishop Campbell, Manteno, Ill.
'94, Will Lincoln Harris, Greencastle, Ind.
'94, Layton Coburn Bently, Murdock, Ill.
'94, Terrell Eugene Morse, Wabash, Ind.
'94, Will Maurice Sparks, Carthage, Ind.
'94, Frank Wilbur Foxworthy, Pana, Ill.
'94, Charles Allen Prosser, New Albany, Ind.
'94, Abraham Lincoln Gary, Henderson, Ind.

MICHIGAN ALPHA.

'93, Frank Henry Decke, Lansing, Mich.
'94, Bertrand Stager Summers, Fort Sheridan, Ill.
'94, Henry Mortmier Senter, Houghton, Mich.
'94, Robert Foote Hall, Williamston, Mich.
'94, John Arthur Whitworth, Grand Rapids Mich.
'94, Harry Burritt Mulliken, Detroit, Mich.
'94, James Clair Hallock, Detroit, Mich.

MICHIGAN BETA.

'93, Benjamin Franklin Bain, Petoskey, Mich.
'93, Earl H. Mead, Lansing, Mich.
'94, Malcolm Forrest Loomis, Grand Rapids, Mich.
'94, Earl B. Hughes, Marshall, Mich.
'94, John W. Rittenger, Terre Coupe, Ind.
'94, Henry Denios Baker, St. Croix Falls, Wis.

MICHIGAN GAMMA.

'94, Clement S. Edwards, Albert Lea, Minn.
'94, Nathan B. Crabtree, La Rue, O.
'94, Samuel Eugene Kelley, Providence, R. I.
'94, Burt F. Green, Paw Paw, Mich.
'94, Harry Silas Myers, Paw Paw, Mich.

ILLINOIS DELTA.

Special, J. A. Murdock, Galesburg, Ill.
Special, George Crandall, Etiwanda, Cal.

'94, Herbert George Copp, Rock Island, Ill.
'94, Walter Kimball Marsh, Lacon, Ill.
'94, Ralph Pious Dexter, Galva, Ill.

ILLINOIS EPSILON.

'92, Deane N. Funk, McLean, Ill.
'94, Asa Langstaff, Lexington, Ill.

ILLINOIS ZETA.

'94, Rett Elmer Olmstead, St. Paul, Minn.
'94, William Paine Dutton, Sycamore, Ill.
'94, William Edson Griswold, Columbus, Wis.
'94, Albert Prentiss Smith, Sycamore, Ill.
'94, William Richard Tapper, Chicago, Ill.

WISCONSIN ALPHA.

'91, Herman Oppenheim, St. Paul, Minn.
'92, Walter Alexander Marling, Milwaukee, Wis.
'93, Francis Thomas McDonough, Eau Claire, Wis.
'94, George Thomas Kelly, Eau Claire, Wis.
'94, Charles Emille Hilbert, Milwaukee, Wis.
'94, George Theodore Elliott, Milwaukee, Wis.
'94, John James Wright, Madison, Wis.
'94, Lawrence Albert Curtis, Madison, Wis.
'94, James Kingsley Simpson, Winona, Minn.
'94, Clarence Barker Culbertson, Augusta, Wis.
'94, Percy Spencer Ellwell, LaCrosse, Wis.
'94, Frederick Moore, Fond du Lac, Wis.
'94, Edward Moses Hopper, Oshkosh, Wis.
'94, Paul Tupper Wilkes, Sioux Falls, S. Dakota.
'94, Ernest Lisle Himebough, Eau Claire, Wis.

MISSOURI ALPHA.

'91, Wm. Simpson Jennings, Mt. Vernon, Mo.
'92, Jas. Milton Denny, Roanoke, Mo.
'94, Jas. Agnew Slaughter, Edina, Mo.
'94, Elmer R. Hamacher, Richmond, Mo.
'94, Robert Browning Daniel, Harrisonville, Mo.
'94, Clifford Tracy Snitzler, Columbia, Mo.
'94, Jas. William Cooper, South McAlester, Ind. Ter.
'94, Harry Rause, LaBelle, Mo.

MISSOURI BETA.

'93, Elmer Charles Henderson, Fulton, Mo.
'94, William Edward Dicken, Fulton, Mo.
'94, Wylie Hamilton Forsythe, Fulton, Mo.
'94, Sidney Lewis McCarty, Monroe City, Mo.

MISSOURI GAMMA.

'91, Lorenzo Bailey Vella, Colorado Springs, Colo.
'91, Richard Shackleford McColloch, St. Louis, Mo.
'92, Wm. Henry Danforth, Charleston, Mo.
'92, Chas. Ahiman Bohn, St. Louis, Mo.
'92, Denny Warren Roper, Alton, Ill.
'92, John Rison Fordyce, St. Louis, Mo.
'92, Charles Cummings Collins, Little Rock, Ark.
'92, Harry Robson Hall, St. Louis, Mo.
'92, Thomas Geo. Rutledge, St. Louis, Mo.
'93, William Nicholson Cummings, St. Louis, Mo.
'93, Arno Ernst Huning, Albuquerque, N. M.
'93, Wm. Dunham Hudson, St. Louis, Mo.
'94, Ralph Gully Cole, St. Louis, Mo.

IOWA ALPHA.

'93, Charles Grant Watkins, Libertyville, Iowa.
'94, William Henry Perdue, Keokuk, Iowa.
'94, William Frederick Gillmore, Kirkville, Iowa.
'94, Fred Blucher Tucker, Ottumwa, Iowa.
'94, Guy Shields, New London, Iowa.
'94, Karl Winfield Mayne, Council Bluffs, Iowa.
'94, Edward Hearn, Knoxville, Iowa.

IOWA BETA.

'91, John Ezra Hawthorne, Rock Island, Ill.
'92, William Patrick Slattery, A. B., Carlow College, Ireland, Dubuque, Iowa.
'92, William Suits Hosford, Iowa City, Iowa.
'93, Benson Fordyce (Aff.), Platteville, Iowa.
'93, Frank Davenport McCaffrey, Davenport, Iowa.
'93, Henry Spinsby McCaffrey, Davenport, Iowa.
'94, John McAllister Haddock, Bedford, Iowa.
'94, John Murray McCaffrey, Davenport, Iowa.
'94, Charles Hibbard Mills, Tama, Iowa.
'94, Charles Dietrich Reimers, Rock Island, Ill.

KANSAS ALPHA.

'91, Walter Scott Hayden, Topeka, Kas.
'91, Frank Galen Nichols, North Topeka, Kas.
'92, James Edward Dyche, Baker, Kas.
'93, Thornton Cooke, Herington, Kas.
'94, Thomas Hazael Franklin, Severance, Kas.
'94, George Halbert Playter, Pittsburg, Kas.
'94, Luther Elias Thrasher, Iola, Kas.
'94, Walter Orr Woods, Concordia, Kas.
'94, Stephen Tracy Learnard, Lawrence, Kas.

'94, Oscar Eldridge Learnard, Lawrence, Kas.
'94, George Duffield Lyon, Chetopa, Kas.

NEBRASKA ALPHA.

'93, Arthur Franklin Montmorency, Omaha, Neb.
'94, George Endres Payne, Hastings, Neb.
'94, Oscar Frederick Funke, Lincoln, Neb.
'94, Charles Anson Lyman, Lincoln, Neb.
'94, Lawrence Bell Pillsbury, Fremont, Neb.
'94, Charles Andrew Fife, Fremont, Neb.

CALIFORNIA ALPHA.

'94, William Nathaniel Friend, Oakland, Cal.
'94, Frank Shackelford Boggs, Princeton, Cal.
'94, Russ Avery, Los Angeles, Cal.

CHAPTER GRAND ADDENDUM.

In the Chapter Grand notes of this issue we failed to include the notice of the sketch of Thomas Allen Walker, Ohio Δ, '89, that we had at hand. It is from the *Wooster Voice:*

"The hand of Providence has again entered the University circle and cut off a life full of hope and promise. Last week the serious illness of T. A. Walker, '89, was announced in these columns and with this issue comes the painful duty of recording his death. The sad intelligence brought pain to many hearts, hearts which the deceased had won to himself during his upright, honorable and exemplary Christian life as a student at Wooster University. His open countenance and frank, honest bearing attracted the attention and won the respect and admiration of every person with whom T. A. Walker came in contact. The realization that his genial presence is to be known no more brings pain to many hearts.

Thomas A. Walker was born near Greenfield, Highland County, O., Aug. 21st, 1861, and when 15 years of age he identified himself with the Presbyterian Church in Greenfield. The convictions then professed before men impressed his heart more deeply year by year and his life from then on was a living testimony to the sincerity of his profession. His academical studies were pursued at South Salem Academy, from which institution he graduated in 1885.

Four years later he took his degree of A. B. from Wooster. The next year and a half he acceptably and with great efficiency filled the position of Superintendent of the Public Schools of Frankfort, Kansas. But the strain drew too heavily on him and he was compelled to resign because of enfeebled health. When the high nervous tension which his work at Frankfort demanded was relaxed, the dread consumption speedily brought the end. He had been at his old home but a short time when the death angel came and summoned him to his new home. On the night of January 22d, he went to sleep in the blessed assurance of waking in a better and happier land."

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

FRATERNITIES.

Δ Τ Δ has but four men at Vanderbilt, three of whom graduate this month.

Φ Δ Θ at Pennsylvania College has a goodly chapter house fund accumulating.

S. I. U., a local society at Maine State College has become a chapter of *Δ Τ Ω*.

Sigma Chi is said to have a *sub rosa* chapter at Yale University. —*Φ Γ Δ Quarterly.*

Fraternities at Centre College number—*Β Θ Π*, 8; *Φ Δ Θ*, 11; *Σ Χ*, 18 and *Κ Α*, 15.

The April *Kappa Alpha Journal* contains an illustrated article on Vanderbilt University.

Δ Κ Ε is at present in disrepute at De Pauw for lifting a member of the local chapter of *Δ Υ*.

The "barb" element at Colby University is reported to have sent in a charter petition to *Δ Τ Ω*.

The Eastern Division of *Δ Τ Δ* held its Ninth Annual Conference in New York City, Feb. 21st.

Β Θ Π is reported to be in receipt of a charter application from the College of the City of New York.

The *Ψ Υ* chapter house at Union is well under way and it is hoped that it will be finished by commencement.

Δ Τ Ω has revived at University of Pennsylvania. Her members are chiefly from the professional departments.

The Beta Epsilon chapter of *Κ Κ Γ* has been established in Barnard College, Columbia's "Annex" for women.

The members of *Δ Τ Δ*, resident in Dallas, Texas, have formed a State Alumni Association and held an enjoyable reunion.

Johns Hopkins University is the latest addition to the chapter roll of *Φ Γ Δ*. Her Beta Mu chapter was established there February 20th.

Ψ Υ has chartered the *Υ K* society at the University of Pennsylvania and the chapter was installed May 9th. There were 35 charter members.

Δ K E has withdrawn the charter of her Harvard chapter, or rather of the heterogenous organization which has masqueraded as a *Δ K E* chapter.

The South Carolina Military Academy has by the strict enforcement of anti-fraternity laws, choked several sub-rosa chapters of Southern Fraternities.

The "Alumni Day" plan of *Φ Δ Θ*, which alumni and active chapters join in celebrating, is being urged upon several other Fraternities. *Φ Γ Δ* desires to have an annual "Founder's Day."

Σ X reorganized at Hampden-Sidney last winter after one year's quiescence, and later *Δ T Ω* and *Φ Θ Ψ* chartered new chapters. There must be scarce "pickin" for nine chapters in the institution.

K Σ has an Extension Committee of three members, whose duty it is to keep a look out for opportunities of chapter establishments. The last conclave of that Fraternily resolved to push "Northern" extension.

Some of our exchanges recently reported the disbanding of the Michigan Chapter of *Δ T Δ*. This is an error, for that chapter is a flourishing branch of *Δ T Δ*. The item should have read the "University of Wisconsin" chapter, which last fall ceased to exist.

Friday evening February 6th, the Beta Theta Pi club of Washington, D. C., tendered a banquet complimentary to Justice Harlan of the U. S. Supreme Court. The occasion was made a notable one in the fraternity, and the banquet was attended by a large number, including many Betas in official circles.

The Biennial District Councils of *Φ K Ψ* were held this spring as follows: District I, at Meadville, Pa.; District II, at Columbia, S. C.; District III, Springfield, O.; District IV, at Minneapolis, Minn. From reports in the *Shield* these were all well attended and successful reunions. They are arranged to be held at the same time, in years alternating with their Arch Council (National Convention).

An item has been going the rounds of the fraternity and college press to the effect that fraternity students at Williams College were endeavoring to raise $200,000 for a joint house, citing

this as an illustration of practical pan-hellenism. The item as originated was to the effect that the non-fraternity element had projected such a scheme. It died early.

COLLEGES.

Syracuse University is building a gymnasium.

President Warfield of Miami has accepted the presidency of Lafayette College.

The Ohio State University is to have three new buildings. An Armory and Gymnasium, Museum and Library and Manual Training Building at costs aggregating nearly $200,000.

Professor John LeConte, first President of the University of California, died at Berkeley, after a week's illness, April 29, 1891. He was a graduate of the University of Georgia and was renowned as a physicist. His brother Joseph is likewise known in Geology.

The Presbyterian Churches of the South Atlantic States have decided to establish a university to be known as the South Atlantic University. Asheville, N. C., has offered $150,000 for its location at that point, and it is said that the institution has received a like amount from a lady who died recently.

EXCHANGES.

At the beginning of this Collegiate year we spoke of the valuable service that the *Kappa Alpha Journal* was doing for its fraternity, and at this, the close of the year, we see no reason to modify the statement. Already this volume has furnished 430 pages of reading matter, with the May and June numbers yet to come. Those for March and April were agreeably illustrated, the former dealing with Emory College, the latter with Vanderbilt University, and both with prominent Kappa Alpha's of these places.

The Editor of the *Journal*, though he takes some chapter correspondents to task for dilatoriness, has received staunch support from a few enthusiastic workers, besides very regular chapter reports. Among these workers is Mr. T. T. Hubard of Norfolk, Va. One of the enterprises of Mr. Hubard was to present a petition to the V. M. I. Board of Visitors, backed by Virginia fraternity men generally, asking for the repeal of the anti-fraternity laws at the Institute. A number of fraternities *K A*, *A T Ω*, *Σ N* and *Σ X* were cited as preparing for re-establishment there in anticipation of the repeal of the laws. The petition backed by

personal argument was presented Feb. 3, but contrary to expectation was not successful. Although Phi Delta Theta considers the withdrawal of the charter of Virginia Epsilon as permanently defining her relation to the Institute, yet she would heartily rejoice with all others interested in the success of this movement.

Kappa Alpha is wrestling hard with the chapter house question, discussing ways and means. Several plans have been suggested each involving either the organization of a general Kappa Alpha building association, supported by the chapters, or of annual per capita taxes which when enough money has been collected shall be offered to the chapters in alphabetical order, its acceptance being conditioned on the raising of a certain amount by the chapter itself. Naturally objections have been found to all these plans, and we for ourselves cannot see how any of them can be adopted, or if adopted, held to. We as Phis and Phi chapters believe that each chapter for itself will have to manage its own chapter house scheme. The circumstances, necessities and consequently the *modus operandi* of different chapters vary. Those with long alumni rolls may find the key in pledges from alumni. Others may consult local building associations or capitalists and get their houses by paying interest and expense assessments, at the same time using their best energies to accumulate house funds that will at some future time put the property entirely into their own hands. We have yet to be converted to any inter-chapter scheme for home buildings.

The *Journal* has made some pertinent remarks on "lifting" and the initiation of honorary members. From the latter we clip:

"The policy in question is the initiating—electing may be better—honorary members. Will some editor whose fraternity practices such volunteer an explanation? According to our views at present, we can not endorse it. In the first place it is meaningless. Can a filial affection be turned out like spokes in a wheel? Can a mother's love go out simply upon denominating one "son?" Can a man who has never darkened the door of a college, love that institution as well by half as he who prepared himself for life by its assistance? That a love for a fraternity, passing a regard, can be engendered in the heart of an honorary member is beyond our comprehension. The only reasons apparent for such a course seem to be that the fraternity needs financial assistance, or it needs, sorely needs, moral support. The most feasible reason seems to be a thirst for prominent members."

With the January number the *Phi Gamma Delta Quarterly* commenced issuing from Baltimore, with F. C. Howe in entire charge. Mr. Howe has been connected with the *Quarterly* for several years, and is no novice, as the character of the January

and April numbers shows. The January, to use the trite expression, is a convention number, its literary department being occupied with accounts of the Indianapolis convention, and prints of addresses delivered before it. A portrait of C. W. Fairbanks, Ohio Wesleyan, '72, ornaments the well written accounts of this occasion.

The inaugural procession of new Φ Γ Δ chapters is kept up, and this number brings to us the announcement of chapters (revived) at the Universities of Virginia, Pennsylvania and Washington and Lee. The April issue is elaborately dressed with half tones illustrating Johns Hopkins University buildings and grounds, has a sketch of the University from a descriptive pamphlet of Prest Gilman's, all of which serves to introduce the newly established Beta Mu chapter in that institution, "whose natal day was February 20th, and whose sponsor was Senator Zebulon Vance." Mr. Howe, of the *Quarterly* was the organizer, and is a member of the new chapter. Group portraits of the Pensylvania and this chapter are given with the illustrative features, which leads us to say that we are expecting to present some of our chapters to SCROLL readers in the October issue.

In the April number a writer reviews the fourth edition of Baird's "American College Fraternities," or better, to borrow the writer's expression, sounds the signal note of attack on this book. If the *Quarterly* was the only source of our information concerning college fraternities as they exist to-day we would feel that Φ Γ Δ had been served with grieveous injustice at Mr. Baird's hands. This writer takes this to be the fact, and strikes right and left because, as he says, the historical sketches and lists of prominent members of Φ Δ Θ and Β Θ Π have been stretched to "unconscionable length" while Φ Γ Δ and her well-known sons have suffered from lack of mention, more noticeable than in the case of any of the others who have cause to complain. We have carefully read both Mr. Baird's book and the *Quarterly's* review of the same. We are ready to agree that the former has its errors and omissions, but we cannot see that they are the result of any direct intention. The reviewer makes particular note of the fact that Brother Palmer furnished the sketch of Φ Δ Θ for Mr. Baird, and says "this explains fully, etc., etc." We know ourselves not to be in error when we say that Φ Γ Δ was given the same opportunity to furnish her sketch and list of members as was Φ Δ Θ. Φ Δ Θ submitted her sketch and the SCROLL noted with pleasure the fact that Mr. Baird had found it necessary to make few alterations in the text. The Fraternity did not demand that the article should be published as sumbitted, but was willing to abide by the author's judgment. As a matter of fact the roster of members, which Φ Γ Δ says is "stretched to unconscionable length," omits the names of not a few regularly initia-

ted Phis prominent in church, state and professional circles, which names were included in the original list.

The member of *Φ Γ Δ*, holding official position in that Fraternity, who had been delegated to furnish the article on his Fraternity declined to submit this unless Mr. Baird would agree to publish it, with list of prominent members as submitted to him. This Mr. Baird did not agree to, and no historical sketch was furnished him. Consequently when the book was issued, and *Φ Γ Δ* did not make the showing therein that she feels she was entitled to, Mr. Baird is industriously belabored as being at the bottom of a scheme to magnify *Φ Δ Θ* and *B Θ Π* at the expense of their rivals. It may be that we are prejudiced, since we are interested parties, but it looks to us as if *Φ Γ Δ* served her own dish, and therefore if it is not palatable she can hardly blame Mr. Baird. The SCROLL has already reviewed the book, and sees no reason to change its attitude. The *Quarterly* has as good a right to its opinion, and we do not in the least doubt the sincerity of its strictures. But as its review entered into some comparisons, we could not forbear giving to Phi readers a few points on the discussion.

The "Editorials" and "Table-Talker" (exchanges) are always interesting departments of the *Quarterly*, and not a few of our cotemporaries might be improved by modeling after them.

The *Chi Phi Quarterly* is like some college annuals that we have seen. Each contains good things, but so strongly resembles its predecessors in general appearance, that at first sight we think surely it must be a reprint of a former number. The January issue contains 36 pages of reading matter, giving a brief account of the convention at Baltimore in November (their next one meets at Atlanta, Ga., the month after our own Phi assemblage), an article on chapter houses, a sketch of the short-lived *X Φ* chapter at the University of Edinburgh, Scotland, and an account of the anniversary of the Hobart order, held at Delmonico's New York, on the evening before Thanksgiving, at which reunion more than a hundred "Kiffies" met to exchange greetings. It afforded an excellent opportunity to discuss the establishment of a *X Φ* Club House in New York City, and a committee is working on the project now, with considerable money pledged toward the movement.

The *Sigma Chi Quarterly* for February indulges in illustrations to a marked extent. There are portraits as follows: Hon. Isaac M. Jordan (Founder), Hon. George W. Childs (Honorary), Chauncey B. Ripley, President of New York Alumni Association, Rt. Rev. Henry L. Ziegenfuss, Cornell Chapter Group, Frank M. Elliot, Walter L. Fisher, and Charles Alling, Jr. The

number, aside from personals and chapter letters, deals chiefly with the recent Σ X General Convention.

We feel that the *Delta Upsilon Quarterly* is somewhat of a stranger, as the last issue of that magazine that we have received is the "Holiday Number," and deals with events of last fall. It is not too late to clip the following editorial note, which expresses a well justified satisfaction, and the trend of which we commend to every Phi chapter. In it may be read "one of the signs of the times:"

"During the year unusual activity has been manifested in the procuring of homes for our chapters, and as a result the *Rochester*, *Wisconsin* and *Minnesota* chapters have been domiciled in fine houses. The *Cornell* chapter is building an elegant home on the University campus. The *Rutgers* chapter has come into the possession of a five thousand lot, free from any encumbrance, and the *Marietta* chapter has raised a good sum towards its prospective home. This showing is gratifying, and should encourage and inspire other chapters without houses to renew their efforts in this direction. The value of a chapter home, alike to undergraduate and alumnus, can scarcely be over-estimated. To the former it is his college fireside, where the deepest fraternal ties are formed. To the latter it is the strongest link which binds him to his college days, and if he has made an investment in the house, there surely will his interest be. Nothing will guarantee better the prosperity of a chapter than a good home."

Anent the subject of chapter houses, Editor Van Cleve of the *Phi Kappa Psi Shield* has been vigorously urging the importance of the question on Phi Kappa Psi chapters, and the May *Shield* has this pointed paragraph:

"Our observation has brought us to this conclusion: Efforts to build chapter houses in Phi Kappa Psi have largely come to naught because they were spasmodic. The usual plan is to write glowing letters to alumni telling what is hoped may be done and asking them to do it. Failure inevitably follows. Nothing is done further for three or four or perhaps ten years, until in another paroxysm of enthusiasm another pull is made upon alumni, followed by failure and disgust, common to those appealing and to the appealed.

Let us suggest a better way. Organize in your chapter a sinking fund for house-building, for we believe houses will be more satisfactory built to serve the purposes for which chapters desire them. Into this fund pour all the odds and ends that may arise from time to time in the chapter's financial movements; or, as in some chapters, set apart a definite proportion of the initiation fee for that purpose. Then submit the question of a share in the construction of the house to every active man—limited in amount to $100 and extended over a sufficient time—take his notes without interest for such portions of the amount as the period can be readily divided into, provided such obligation be met on maturity, charging the minimum legal rate of interest on deferred payments if not paid at such time. When such obligations aggregate

$1,000 or $2,000, strike for your alumni subscriptions and *strike hard!* Don't let up! If you are fraternal in tone in your appeals, and show business tact in your arrangements, your appeals will not be fruitless.

A board of trustees, made up in part of alumni, to whom shall be intrusted the funds under bond or in a corporate capacity, will insure pemanency and security. Finally, have a committee whose sole business it shall be to look after the interests of the chapter-house fund, and from it require a report every month of the college year as to the progress made, and presto, in a brief time, the impossible has been achieved.

Is this quixotic, visionary, impracticable? You know it is not! If you desire a chapter-house strongly enough to deserve to have one, you can have it.

Mark you, some fraternities are wide-awake to the needs of the hour. The next era of fraternity development will be one of chapter-house building. Shall Phi Kappa Psi be relegated to the rear?"

NOTES.

Every Chapter should send to the SCROLL the address of the Reporter for next Fall, so that mail addressed to the Chapter will not fail to reach the proper destination.

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Brother J. H. Aydelotte, Ohio *E*, '80, was recently married to Miss Minnie Wright, of Akron, Ohio, and has returned with his wife to Oakland, California.

POT-POURRI.

Send the SCROLL a copy of your College Annual. Don't fail.

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Make your arrangements this summer to go to the Atlanta Convention. You will be more than repaid.

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W. L. Fisher, Ex-Editor of *Σ X Quarterly*, was married to Miss Mabel Taylor, of Boston, Mass., April 23rd. They reside in Chicago.

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Brother Samuel F. Owen, of East Saginaw, Mich., desires numbers 3 and 4 of Vol. X, numbers 4 and 5 of Vol. XI, and number 9 of Vol. XII, in order to complete his files of the SCROLL. Can any chapter or member supply wanted numbers?

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The Junior Ball, Cornell University, took place January 30th, in the University Armory. In brilliancy it exceeded even those of former years. Festoons of Southern moss and streamers of carnelian and white hid the great arched roof, while the walls were covered with class colors and the banners taken by Cornell athletes. The boxes, occupied by thirteen of the leading fraternities, formed a semi-circle at the east, and their rich draperies and handsome rugs and furniture added not a little to the beauty of the occasion. Kuhn's orchestra, of Buffalo, furnished the dance music, and Dickinson's, of Binghampton, the promenade selections. The following occupied the box of the Cornell chapter of Phi Delta Theta: Ex-Senator and Mrs. Sawyer, Washington, D. C.; Prof. and Mrs. Bailey, Miss Smith, Ithaca; Mrs. Emmet Smith, Miss Mabel Smith, N. Y. City; Miss Jones, Philadelphia; Miss Beale, Lansing, Mich.; Miss Scofield, Miss Johnson, Penn Yan; Mrs. Dinsmore, Miss Mellor, Miss Green, Auburn; Mrs. Warren, Miss Ross, Miss Patten, Ilion, and members of New York Alpha.

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Have you read the "The Faith Doctor," or "The Squirrel Inn?" If not, get the *Century*, which contains these charming serials, as well as an abundance of other profitable reading matter.

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Look up the Phis of your neighborhood during the vacation, and awaken the old Fraternity memories within them. You can have some pleasant meetings by so doing.

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The C., H. V. & T. R'y gives reduced rates to the Annual Encampment of Sons of Veterans at Presque Isle, Ohio, June 9–13th. Teachers expecting to attend the Educational Convention at Toronto, July 14–17 can get best rates and accommodations by the great "Buckeye Route." Side excursions will be run to Niagara Falls and Chautauqua. Call on C., H. V. & T. R'y agents, or write W. H. Fisher, Gen'l Pass. Agent, Columbus, Ohio.

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We greatly regret our inability to publish letters from a large number of Chapters that were received too late for insertion in this issue. They contained good news, and it was with much reluctance that we were compelled to see them crowded out. There were letters from Allegheny, Mercer, Southwestern, Buchtel, Michigan State, Hanover, Iowa State, Randolph-Macon and Mississippi. They all had prosperity to report, though it was a few days late in getting to us.

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Brander Matthews, on Book Reviews, has been added to the list of regular contributors to the *Cosmopolitan* magazine. "The Elixir of Pain," by Hjalmar Hjorth Boyesen, was run in the May and June numbers. It is a fine novel.

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A. H. Smith, Ohio *B*, '81 after several years of real estate work and health searching, has returned to Ohio, calling Columbus his home. He is a traveling salesman for The Chatfield & Woods Co., of Cincinnati, O.

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We are indebted through Brother J. F. Craig, Kansas *A*, '91, to Chancellor Francis H. Snow, for the illustrations of Kansas University buildings, shown in this issue. They are excellent pieces of engraving.

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Through a mistake in marking a copy of the Vermont *Cynic*, there was included in Vermont Alpha personals an item concerning Mr. Don F. Andrews, '89. Mr. Andrews, Vermont Alpha informs us, is not a Phi, but a member of *A T Ω*.

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There have been several cases of "lifting" reported in recent issues of our contemporaries, disreputable as the practice is. When will chapters and fraternities learn that such work reflects no little dishonor on the "lifter" and the "lifted?"



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